'55

Watchekee

To a sweet girl.
May you always be
the beautiful person
whatever you do.
Carol Harrison

Norma -
Remember our Senior Year
Edna

Norma -
May you progress toward success
Lois Wynn

Norma -
Best of Luck
in Your Future
Bob Suttle
"55"

Norma -
Best of Luck
Always -
Nancy Lowe
'55

Norma -
Good Luck in
the future.
Barbara
Lehman

Norma -
Best of luck
in the future.
Pat W.
"56"

Norma -
Best of luck
coming year
Bill
Fox

Best of Luck
Shirley - Conn

Norma -
Don't forget our
old history & Lane
the years & luck in the
Best of luck in
future.
Joan

Best of luck
Sincerely
Ron Smith

Property of Norma J Graber

Norma.
Thanks alot for
helping me sometimes
with Bookkeeping.
I wish you the best
of Luck. Darlene.

Norma
Best of luck to
a fellow bookkeeping
student. Leah Hurst '56

Best of Luck,
Phyllis S. "55"

I hope that you
are as glad to
get out of this
jail as I am. Just
think no more struggling
through American
History

Best of Luck
Jerry McAnnich "55"

Best of Luck
to a swell
Gal
Dolores

Norma
Best wishes
for many
years to come
Yes. Lieut
"55"

The Best of luck
to a sweet girl
always remember
dear old american
history.
Jane Ann

Best of Luck
always—
Bot Miller
'55

Norma
Have been a swell
classmate and a good friend
I hope we remain friends
Best of Luck
everything goes do.
Shirley Freeman
"55"

Norma
Best of luck
always in every
thing you do!
Dorothy K.

Norma—
Best of luck
in the future.
Marilynn Pleene

Best of Luck
in the future.
Lieut
Fellin.

To Norma Greaber,
a fellow bookkeeping
student. Thanx
for saving a
whole page for
me to write on!
Good Luck!

Alan K. Weidert
"55"
I hope

Norma-
To a fellow
prisoner of Am. Hist.
Best wishes to a nice gal.
Peter Thomas Ferrero III
"55 or Bust!"

Best of Luck
N. Tonawanda '56'

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Best of luck!
R. C. Grant

Best of luck in the future.
James Olson

Norma-
Best of luck in the future to a real swell senior.
Sharon Cassell
"5-6"

Norma-
Lots of luck and may your years at the same chances come true.
Always "Barbara Clawson"
"55"

Norma—
Best of luck in school and out. I don't know if you plan to continue school or not but I know you will succeed in anything you put your mind to.
Roger Hill
55

Dedication

We the Seniors of 1955, in sincere appreciation of an outstanding performance rendered in the past eleven years gratefully dedicate this yearbook to Robert C. Grant. Your wise counseling and devoted service as administrator of WCHS have been and will continue to be highly praised in the minds of students.

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I shall remember you as "the girl with the fingernails". Good luck in Florida, or wherever yours.
Jane A. Brayford

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Without the incessant service of these men our education would be impossible. These men put in many hours of work and energy behind the scenes. At this time we wish to extend our sincere gratitude for the splendid job which they have done. Under their capable leadership our school has prospered and through them we have achieved a highly valued education.

SENIORS

Michael Igou, treasurer; Marty Hanson, vice-president; Peter Ferrero, president; and Gloria Howard, secretary

Senior Class History

Early September, 1951, found 71 green and scared freshmen scurrying down the halls of WCHS.

They chose as their class officers: Bill Fox, president; Roy Smith, vice-president; Tom Gross, secretary; and Bill McTaggart, treasurer.

Dorothy Kaufmann and Nancy Cushman represented them in the cheering section. They chose Carol Harrison, Charlene Kuhn and Philip Grice to speak for them on Student Council.

Five earned positions in band, four in girls' chorus and nine in mixed chorus. On the Broadcaster Staff, three, and in Library Club, four represented them.

Seventy of them returned their sophomore year, a little more experienced. Their class officers were: Bill Fox, president; Charlene Kuhn, vice-president; and Nancy Cushman, secretary-treasurer.

This year they chose Roy Smith, Shirley Crow and Philip Grice to the Student Council. Dorothy Kaufmann again represented them in the cheering section.

Bill Fox and Kay Evans were awarded parts in the Dramatic Club Play, "Father of the Bride." Shortly after the play, eight sophomores were initiated into Dramatic Club.

Five members were in band, one in football, and two in track.

Nineteen fifty-three found 71 eager juniors planning a money making program for the Junior-Senior Prom. They sold Christmas cards and paper, hot dogs and candy at basketball games and put on the junior class play.

Their class officers were: Bill Fox, president; Martin Hanson, vice-president; Mary Ellen Prater, secretary; and Bob Tuttle, treasurer.

On the Student Council was Roy Smith, Dick McGill, and Shirley Crow.

Dorothy Kaufmann again represented them in cheer leading.

Carol Harrison, Shirley Crow, Peter Ferrero, Bill Fox, Roy Smith, and Bob Brown were elected to the National Honor Society. Bill Fox and Roy Smith were also elected to the Watchekee Staff, as assistant editor and assistant business manager, respectively.

The Junior Class Play, "Room for One More," was staged on October 23, and starred Kay Evans, Bill Fox, Roy Smith, Nancy Sears, Lurleen Gobble, Shirley Crow, Jean Holbert, Roger Cavitt, Marge Sweeney, Bill McTaggart, Lou Ann Ahlden, Terry Christy and Norma Graeber. Miss Caryl Strauss cast and directed the play.

Soon after the play, Bill Fox, Martin Hanson, Roger Cavitt, Terry Christy, Lou Ann Ahlden, Margie Sweeney, Nancy Sears, Shirley Crow, Roy Smith, Bill McTaggart, and Kay Evans were accepted as members of the National Thespian Society and eight were taken into Dramatic Club.

Two boys made the varsity eleven grid team and four made the hardwood varsity.

Six joined girls' chorus and two were selected for mixed chorus.

Bill Fox won a role in "My Little Margie," Dramatic Club Play.

Concluding their hard work, the juniors sponsored the Junior-Senior Prom on May 7. The theme of the Prom was Star Dust. Ray Pearl and his band furnished music for the magic evening.

Sixty-one students returned in 1954 for the finale of their high school education.

They chose as their class officers: Pete Ferrero, president; Martin Hanson, vice-president; Gloria Howard, secretary; and Mike Igou, treasurer.

Five were in girls' chorus and four in mixed chorus.

The Watchekee Staff was composed of twenty-two members of the class of 1955.

Varis Purkalitis was elected captain of the varsity basketball team. Terry Christy and Philip Grice also won positions on the varsity team. Watseka again won the County Championship for the third straight year.

It has been a long climb to the top of the educational ladder, but they reached it with a sigh of success.

Best Wishes to the class of '55

LOU ANN AHLDEN

Mixed Chorus 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3; Library Club 1, 2, 3, 4 (president 4); Junior Class Play, *Room for One More* 3, National Honor Society 4.

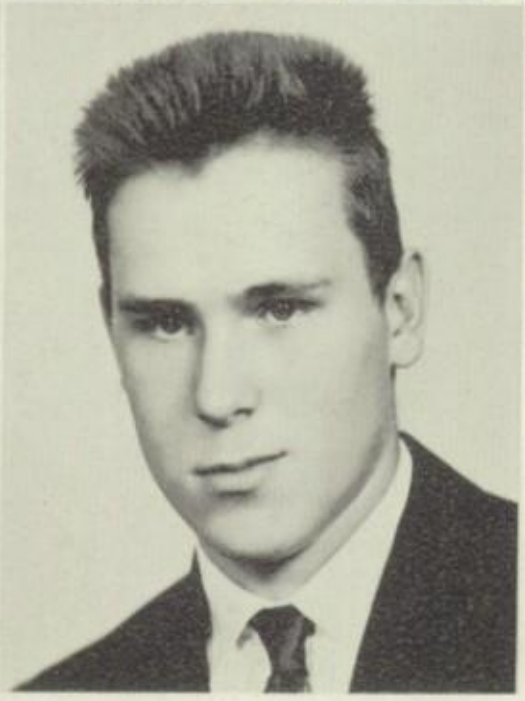
NORMAN BRAMMER

"Sonny"

D.O. 3, 4 (treasurer 4).

BOB BROWN

Boys' Chorus 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Band 3, 4; Brass Sextet 3, 4.



JIM CAST

"Tom cat"

ROGER CAVITT

"Ga-ga"

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Trombone Quartet 3; Brass Sextet 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4 (treasurer 4); Thespian Society 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Football Team 1, (manager 2); Junior Class Play, *Room for One More* 3.

TERRY CHRISTY

"Chris"

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Trumpet Trio 2; Brass Sextet 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4, Thespian Society 3, 4; Broadcaster Staff 4; Football Team 1, 2; Basketball Team 1, 2, 4; Baseball Team 1, 2, 3, 4 (captain 4); Junior Class Play, *Room for One More* 3.

JACK CLAUSER

"Jackson"

Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Broadcaster Staff 1, 4; Boys' Chorus 1, 2; Football Team 1, 2; Baseball Team 1; D.O. 3, 4.

SHIRLEY CROW

"Caw caw"

Band 1, 2, 3, 4 (president 4); Brass Sextet 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; Broadcaster Staff 1, 2, 3, 4 (business manager 3, 4); Annual Staff 4; National Honor Society 3, 4 (president 4); Student Council 2, 3, 4 (vice-president 4); G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Junior Class Play, *Room for One More* 3.

JANE DAVIS
"Janie"
Mixed Chorus 2, 3; Girls' Chorus 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (president 4); Library Club 2, 3, 4; vice-president of sophomore class.

DONNA DROVER
Mixed Chorus 2; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

JAMES ELSON
Football Team 1.

KAY EVANS
Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; Broadcaster Staff 4; Annual Staff 4; Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 3, 4; F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Library Club 1, 2, 3, 4 (treasurer 1); Dramatic Club Play, *Father of the Bride* 2; Junior Class Play, *Room for One More* 3; National Honor Society 4.

PETER THOMAS FERRERO
"Pete"
Annual Staff 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; "W" Club 2, 3, 4; Football Team 1, 2, 3, 4 (captain 4); Basketball Team 1, 2, 3; Track Team 1, 2, 3, 4; president of senior class.

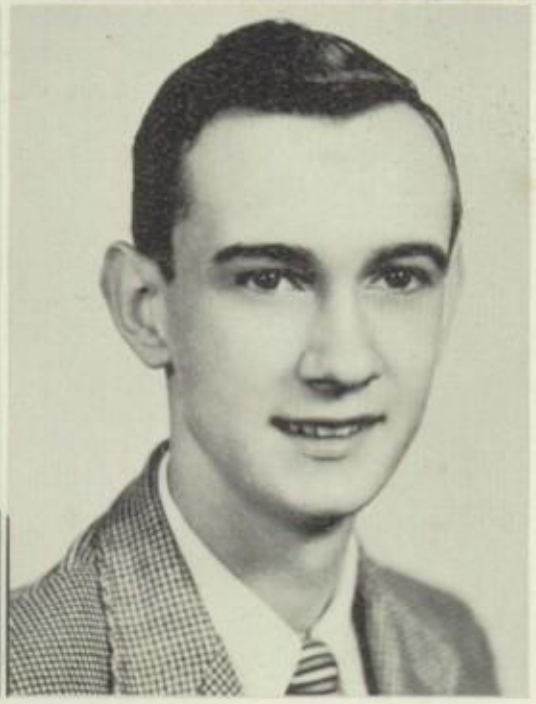
LOREN FERRIAS
Basketball Team 4.

BILL FOX
"Foxy"
Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4 (president 4); Thespian Society 3, 4; Broadcaster Staff 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 3, 4 (assistant editor 3, editor 4); National Honor Society 3, 4; "W" Club 4; Football Team 1, 2, 4; Boys' Chorus 1, 2; president of freshman, sophomore, and junior classes; Dramatic Club Play, *Father of the Bride* 2; Junior Class Play, *Room for One More* 3; Dramatic Club Play, *My Little Margie* 3; Technical Advisor Junior Class Play, *Best Foot Forward* 4.

SHIRLEY FREEMAN
Mixed Chorus 2; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3.

JOANN GILBURG
"Jo"
Gilman High 1, 2; G.A.A. 3, 4.

NORMA JEAN GRAEBER
Mixed Chorus 3; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Broadcaster Staff 1; Girls' Chorus 1, 2; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3, 4; Junior Class Play, *Room for One More* 3.



PHILIP GRICE
"Flip"
Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Student Council 1, 2; Boys' Chorus 1, 2; "W" Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Football Team 1; Basketball Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Track Team 1, 2, 4.

TOM GROSS
D.O. 3, 4 (president 3); Basketball Team 2; Track Team 1, 2; Baseball Team 2; secretary of freshman class.

BARBARA HAMILTON
"Bloop"
Girls' Chorus 2, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 4; Library Club 2, 3.

MARTIN HANSON
"Marty"
Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Football Team 1; vice-president of junior and senior classes; National Honor Society 4.

CAROL HARRISON
Mixed Chorus 3; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Broadcaster Staff 2, 3, 4 (news editor 3, editor-in-chief 4); Annual Staff 4; National Honor Society 3, 4 (reporter 4); Student Council 1; Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (president 2); Library Club 2, 3, 4.

ROGER HILL
Bloom Township, Chicago 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 4; "W" Club 4; Football Team 4; Track Team 3.

JEAN HOLBERT
"Stump"
Dramatic Club 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 1, 2; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Junior Class Play, *Room for One More* 3.

GLORIA HOWARD
Annual Staff 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (secretary 3); secretary of senior class.

MICHAEL IGOU
Mixed Chorus 1; Annual Staff 4; "W" Club 4; Football Team 1, 2, 3, 4; treasurer senior class.

DOROTHY KAUFMANN
"Stubbie"
Cheerleader 1, 2, 3; Girls' Chorus 2; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

PATRICIA KISSACK
"Pat"
F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (secretary 2); Library Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOHN KOHL
"Jack"
Annual Staff 4.

RICHARD MCGILL
"Dickeybird"
Crescent City 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 3; Student Council 3; Boys' Chorus 3; "W" Club 4; Football 3, 4; Basketball 3; Track Team 3.

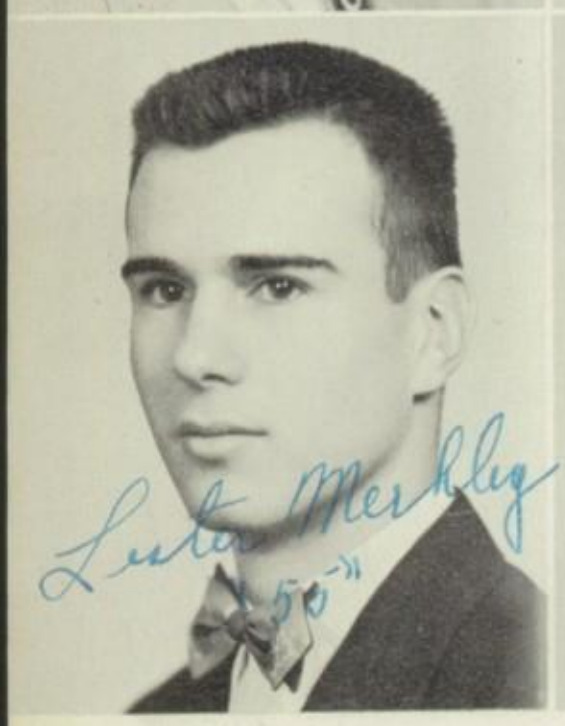
BILL MCTAGGART
"Little Bill"
Band 1, 2, 3, 4 (secretary-treasurer 4); Dramatic Club 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4, (vice-president 4); Broadcaster Staff 1, 2; Annual Staff 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (sentinel 2, Treasurer 3, second treasurer 4); treasurer of freshman class; Junior Class Play, *Room for One More* 3.

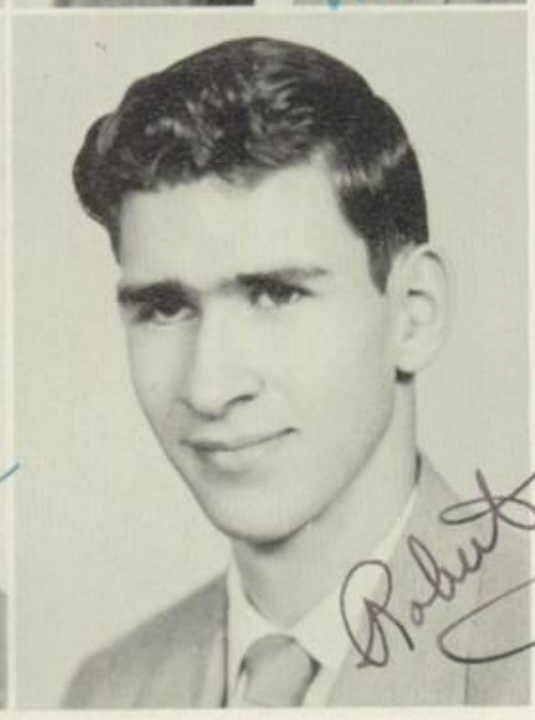
MICHAEL MARTIN
"Mike"

Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Boys' Chorus 1, 2; "W" Club 4; Football Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Track Team 1, 2, 3.

MICHAEL MATARELLI
"Mat"

Spalding Institute, Peoria 1, a; F.F.A. 3, 4, (second vice-president 4); "W" Club 4; Football Team 4; Track Team 3; Baseball Team 3, 4.





LESTER MERHLEY
"Les"

F.F.A. 1; "W" Club 2; Track Team 1.

ROBERT MOHLER
"Big Bob"

Milford 1, 2.

LOIS NIXON

Holy Family Academy, Beaverville 2; Girls' Chorus 1, 3; "Blue Notes" 3.

GARY NELSON
"Rogue"

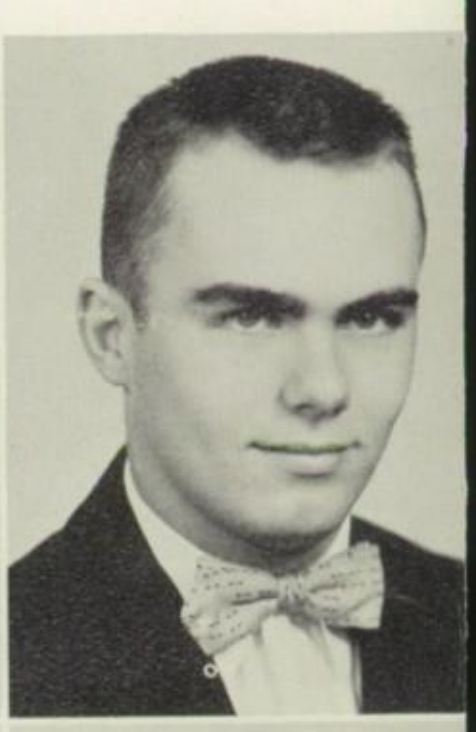
"W" Club 3, 4; Football Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Track Team 3.

SHIRLEY NOSKER
"Nozzie"

Mixed Chorus 2, 3; Girls' Chorus 2, 3; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

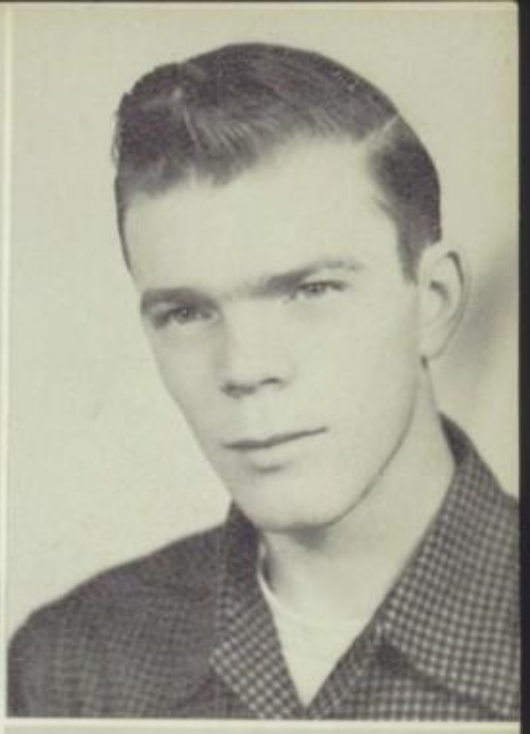
LESLIE O'NEAL
"Les"

Danville 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; National Honor Society 4.



THOMAS OBERLOH
"Tom"

EUGENE OSTERHOUS
"Gene"
D.O. 3, 4.



MARY ELLEN PRATER
Annual Staff 4; Student Council 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; secretary of junior class; National Honor Society 4.

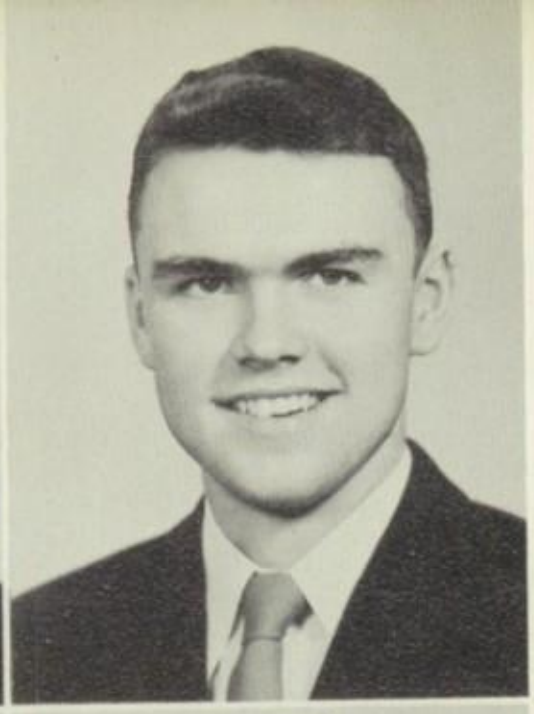
VARIS VICTOR PURKALITIS
"Purk"
F.F.A. 1, 2; "W" Club 3, 4; Football Team 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4 (captain 4); Track Team 2, 3, 4.

JAMES REUTTER
"Jim"
Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Boys' Chorus 1, 2; Football 1, 2, 3; Basketball 4.

WILLIAM SCHAUMBURG
"Wild Bill"
Basketball 1.

NANCY SEARS
"Nance"
Mixed Chorus 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; Broadcaster Staff 1; Girls' Chorus 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3, 4 (secretary 3); Junior Class Play, *Room for One More*, 3.

ROBERT WAYNE SEGGEBRUCH
"Seggie"
Band 1, 2, (Sax Quartet 1); Annual Staff 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (treasurer 4); "W" Club 2, 3, 4; Football Team 2, 3, 4.



PHYLIS SIEBRING
"Dibbie"

Mixed Chorus 2; Girls' Chorus 1, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (parliamentarian 4).

ROY T. SMITH
"Roytel"

Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4 (president 4); Broadcaster Staff 1, 2, 3, 4, (sports editor 4); Annual Staff 3, 4 (assistant business manager 3, business manager 4); National Honor Society 3, 4, (vice-president 3, 4); Student Council 2, 3, 4, (president 4); Boys' Chorus 3; vice-president of the freshman class; Junior Class Play, *Room for One More* 3.

DOROTHY SOBKOVIAK
"Dot"

Milford 1, 2, 3; Student Council 4.

GLORIA DARLENE STONE
"Boobie"

G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (reporter 3).

MARJORIE SWEENEY
"Marjie"

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Sax Quartet 1, 2, 3; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3 (treasurer 3); Library Club 1, 2, 3, 4 (treasurer 4); Junior Class Play, *Room For One More* 3.

EDNA TINCHER
"Tinch"

Girls' Chorus 1, 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, (secretary 2); Library Club 1, 2, 3.

ROBERT TUTTLE
"Short"

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (vice-president 4); "W" Club 4; Football Team 2, 3, 4; Track Team 2; treasurer of junior class.

RICHARD WALTERS
"Dick"

D.O. 3, 4 (president 4).

GEORGE WATERS
Morton 1, 2.

ALAN ROY WEIDERT
"Al"
Mixed Chorus 1; Boys' Chorus 1, 2; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Track Team 2.

Class Will

We, the graduating class of 1955, being of feeble mind and weak body, do hereby will and bequeath the following treasures to those heirs and heiresses that we think will make the least of them.

First: To the faculty of WCHS we leave a nine months' supply of dog food in hopes that in the coming year their bark will continue to be worse than their bite.

Second: We leave the following personal bequests to members of the WCHS student body:

I, Lou Ann Ahlden, will my winning smile to Carolyn Thompson.

I, Norman Brammer, leave my sense of humor to Miss Cochran.

I, Robert Brown, leave my ability to think to Roger Stream.

I, James Cast, will my mechanical mind to Miss Watkins.

I, Roger Cavitt, leave my stature to James Ehrhardt.

I, Terry Christy, leave with nothing.

I, Jack Clauser, leave to go hunting.

I, Shirley Crow, leave my feathers to the birds.

I, Jane Davis, will my shy manner to Wayne Roberts.

I, Donna Drover, will my figure to Judy Ebeling.

I, James Elson, leave before they take my diploma back.

I, Kay Evans, will my typing ability to Richard Lunde.

I, Peter Thomas Ferrero III, will my position as football captain to Frank Schaumburg.

I, Loren Ferrias, leave.

I, William Fox, Jr., will my "gift of gab" to Lowell Dean Schmidt.

I, Shirley Freeman, leave with high hopes for a happy future.

I, Joan Gilburg, will my quiet disposition to Lonny Anderson.

I, Norma Graeber, leave my brother Joe to WCHS.

I, Philip Grice, will my jokes to Mr. Grant.

I, Tom Gross, leave my tremendous physique to Clarence.

I, Barbara Hamilton, leave while there's still time.

I, Martin Hanson, will my brain to Charles Bright. (PUN)

I, Carol Harrison, leave my A's to Gene Bean.

I, Roger Hill, leave my car to whomever will claim it.

I, Jean Holbert, will my ability to flirt to Judy Edwards.

I, Gloria Howard, leave my black hair to Connie Segur.

I, Mike Igou, will whatever I have to whomever wants it.

I, Dorothy Kaufmann, leave with my diamond in hopes it will bring me happiness.

I, Pat Kissack, leave my voice to Kenneth Townsend.

I, John Henry Kohl, leave the Cubs in the cellar.

I, Richard McGill, leave for Crescent City.

I, William Chrostopher Corbett McTaggart, bequeath my name to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

I, Michael Edward Martin, leave "Mamie."

I, Michael Matarelli, bequeath my short bowlegs to Patty Leiding.

I, Lester Merhley, Jr., leave my physics to problems undone.

I, Robert Mohler, will my curly locks to Mr. Wene.

I, Gary Nelson, will my good nature to Bob Beisecker.

I, Lois Marie Nixon, bequeath linguistic talents to Tom Riley.

I, Shirley Ann Nosker, will my poodle cut to Mrs. Niebur.

I, Leslie O'Neal, leave my brother, Mike, to the women of WCHS.

I, Tom Oberloh, will my Abe Lincoln stature to Dennis Wall.

I, Gene Osherhous, leave my signs to Neff's, "Nuf Sed."

I, Mary Ellen Prater, bequeath my crown to next year's Homecoming Queen.

I, Varis Purkalitis, will the 1955 County Basketball Champs.

I, James Reutter, will my basketball ability to Warnie Wood.

I, William Schaumburg, bequeath my string of women to WCHS.

I, Nancy Sears, leave to follow in the footsteps of Florence Nightingale.

I, Robert Seggebruch, head for the farm.

I, Phylis Siebring, bequeath my pots and pans to Miss Fager.

I, Dorothy Sobkoviak, will my creative writing to Delbert Dearth.

I, Roy Smith, leave the Chemistry lab in one piece.

I, Marjorie Sweeney, leave Charles to the band.

I, Edna Marie Tincher, leave the cafeteria to Mrs. Spring.

I, Richard Walters, leave to be a good mechanic!

I, George Waters, leave for a hair-cut.

I, Alan R. Weidert, will my cackling laughter to Mr. McKenzie.

1. Jerry McAnarney—Ain't I cute?
2. Margo Mase—Dig this chick.
3. Phylis Siebring—Hi there.
4. Paul Holbert—Solid comfort.
5. Karen Hanson—Mrs. Einstein.
6. Joe Dodson—Duh, what's up.
7. Bill McTaggart—Hey Grampa, let me help.
8. Catherine Cluver—Sweet baby.
9. Gordon Rhoades—Reach, bub!
10. Ann Stanley—I'm looking for a boy.
11. Phyllis Sanson—Look at my smile.
12. Janet Flesher—I'm all dressed up in my Sunday best.
13. Bill Roberts—Charming Billy.
14. Judy Edwards—Wanna fight?
15. Bob Seggebruch—See my blond hair.
16. Randy Floyd—Look what I got.
17. Joyce Bell—Just call me "Curly."
18. Shirley Crow—Dig this crazy dance.
19. Elizabeth Hess—Drop in and see me some time.
20. Nanita and Suzanne Patterson—We're the Bobbsey Twins.
21. Jack Clauser—Hello girls!
22. Roger Cavitt—Look at all of my teeth.
23. Virginia McTaggart—Eyes of blue.
24. Nancy Grant—Have a piece of my cake.

JUNIORS

Left to Right:
Bill Roberts, vice-president; Sharon Cassell, president; Rose Marie Roberts, secretary and Norman Townsend, treasurer.

Junior History

The junior class began their busy year with eighty-one members.

As their president they elected Sharon Cassell. Bill Roberts was elected vice-president, Rose Marie Roberts, secretary, and Norman Townsend, treasurer. Bob Strickler, Arlene Tuttle, and Frank Schaumburg represented them on the student council.

The only junior elected cheerleader was Sharon Barragree. Joan Dooley, Sharon Cassell, and Joyce Bell were elected to the homecoming Queen's Court.

On December 9 they presented the excellent play, *Best Foot Forward.*

Mr. Martin, Mrs. Bricker, Mrs. Neibur, and Mr. Kitzman are the class sponsors.

James Alder
Gloria Anderson
Judy Atwood
Sharon Barragree
Bob Beisecker

Joyce Bell
Kay Berry
Thelma Breeding
Charles Bright
Catherine Brown

Dave Canady
Sharon Cassell
Harold Castonguay
Lois Clatterbuck
Linda Cox

Joan Dooley
Anne Eastburn
Judy Ebeling
Judy Edwards
Roger Eckstein

James Ehrhardt
Curtis Feller
Karl Ferguson
Ray Gerber
Robert Gilburg

Joe Graeber
Nancy Grant
Alice Gustafson
Karen Hanson
Shirley Harrington

Richard Hendricks
Janet Hershberger
Elizabeth Hess
Rosemary Hofer
Dorothy Horton

Erwin Howard
Leah Hurd
Allen Janssen
Sandra Jewell
Betty Keene

Marilynn Keene
Caroline Lahmon
Marilyn Lehman
Patty Leiding
Dick Lewis

Jerry McAnarney
Virginia McTaggart
Wilbur Marcott
Barbara Margolis
Porter Martin

Patricia Miller
Ruth Ann Molnar
Kenneth Myers
Patsy Myers
Shirley Meyer

Mary Lee Neff
Karen Oppy
Shelia Raymond
Beverly Reinagle
Jim Reinagle

Gordon Rhoades
Bob Rhoades
Beverly Riley
Bill Roberts
Rose Roberts

Frank Schaumburg
Lowell Dean Schmidt
Connie Segur
Ann Stanley
Robert Strickler

Dianne Thomas
Kenneth Townsend
Norman Townsend
Ronald Trumble
Arlene Tuttle

La Verne Walwer
Richard Wellborn
Patricia Wiggleton
Bob Williams
Diane Winslow
Omitted—Ronald Williams

SOPHOMORES

Sophomore History

The sophomores opened the 1954-55 year with 93 members.

They elected Kay O'Brien, president; Bob Scharlach, vice-president; John Woods, secretary; and Denny Fox, treasurer. Patty Boughton, Kay Johnson, and Larry Harmon were the student council representatives.

Donna Herron, Kay O'Brien, and Patty Boughton were chosen as cheerleaders. Mary Shepard, Kay Johnson and Patty Boughton were the members of the Queen's Court for the homecoming dance.

Miss Strauss and Mr. James are their sponsors.

Left to Right:
Kay O'Brien, president; Denny Fox, treasurer John Wood, secretary; and Bob Scharlach, vice-president.

Lois Ahrens

Judy Alcorn

Jean Anderson

Lonny Anderson

Julie Ash

Andy Atwood

Virginia Badger

Sue Bartlett

Gene Bean

Joan Beckman

Gerald Behrens

Pat Boughton

Judy Braden

Joyce Bright

Donna Bunn

Judy Craven

Dale Decker

Joe Dodson

Cecil Eades

Jerry Ferren

Dianne Ferry

Arlan Finfrock

Janet Flesher

Randy Floyd

Denny Fox

Phyllais Gossett

Judy Grice

William Griffith

Dorothy Grimes

Richard Gross

Larry Harmon

Marjorie Henning

Donna Herron

Joan Hershberger

Gayle Ifland

Marilynne Ifland

Joyce Johnson

Kay Johnson

Michael Johnston

Carol Kane

Roland Kuhlman

Sharon Lake

Mary LaVoie

Lawrence Luehrsen

Richard Lunde

Margo Mase

Don Milar

Mary Miller

Robert Mowrey

Charles Norder

Kay O'Brien
Mike O'Neal
Richard Page
John Paro
Nanita Patterson
Mary Peters

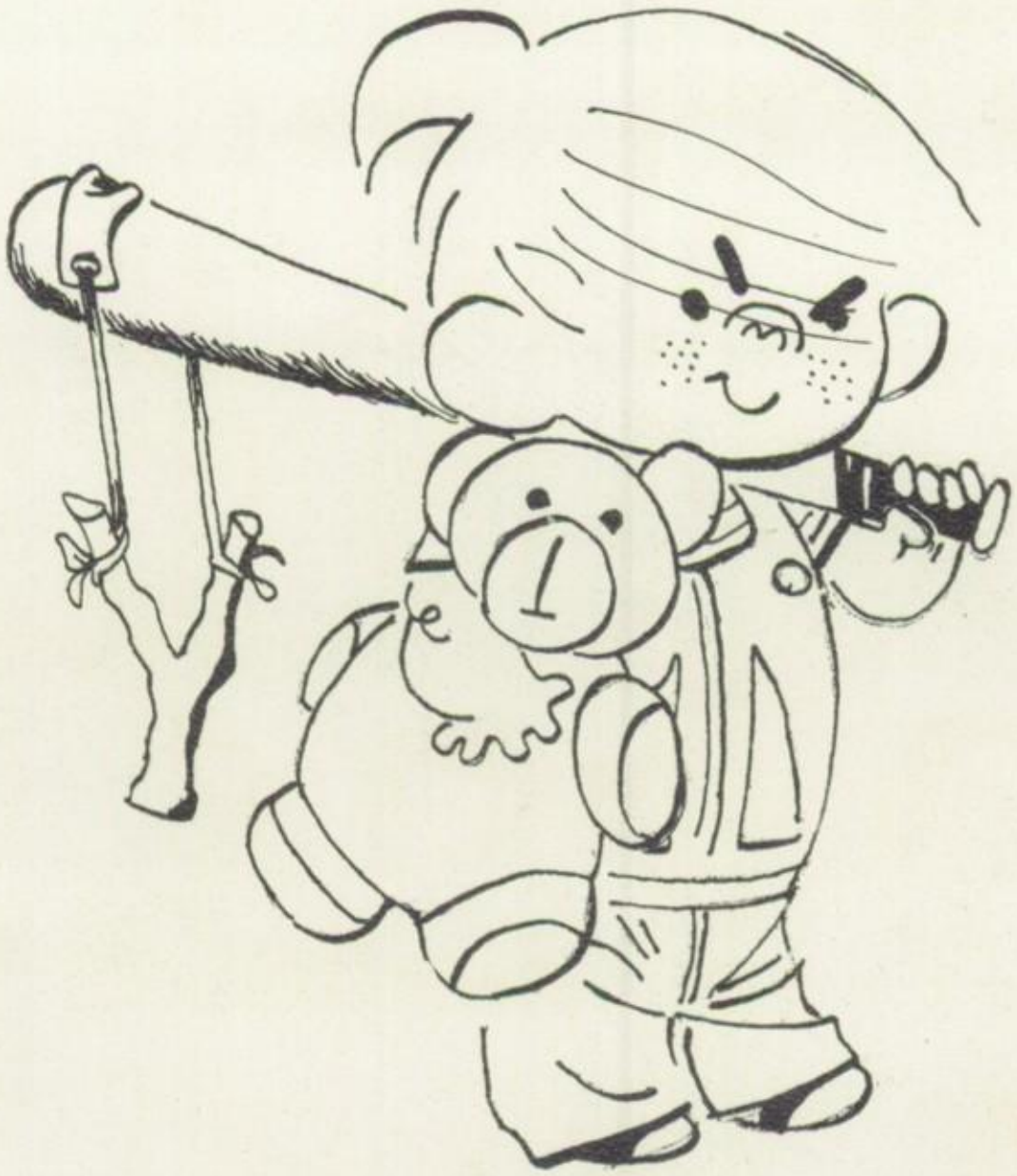
Grover Prater
Barbara Reynolds
Wayne Roberts
David Sanson
Bob Scharlach
Mary Sheppard

LaVerne Sites
Catherine Ziehe
Phyllis Yarno
Janice Stallard
Linda Thorp
Kenneth Tucker

Clarice Tuttle
Paul Van Cleve
Mildred Walker
John Wood
Judy Williams
Betty Watts

Omitted: Ronnie Burnside and Betty Ponton

FRESHMEN



Freshmen History

In September one hundred and eight people were found wandering around the halls of WCHS with a vacant, lost expression on their faces. After a few weeks no one could recognize these energetic industrious students as the freshmen who had previously been so confused with the idea of high school confronting them.

They chose John Unger as their president. They also elected Marian Breeding as treasurer, Carolyn Thompson as secretary, and Warnie Wood as vice-president.

Phyllis Sanson, Larry Elliot, and Jim McTaggart represented them in the student council.

Carolyn Thompson and Linda Martin were selected as cheerleaders. Mary Ann Ross, Carolyn Thompson, and Linda Martin were nominated as members of the Queen's Court for the Homecoming Dance. Many of the other members of the freshmen class were also active in several of the school's other actiivties.

Miss Watkins sponsors the class.

Left to right:
Bottom row—Carolyn Thompson and Marion Breeding.
Top row—Warnie Wood and John Unger.

Kenneth Ahlden
Judy Alver
Hilda Bloomquist
Marian Breeding
Nancy Brown
Phyllis Buhrmester

Elinor Canady
Richard Cast
Katherine Cluver
Brenda Cole
Marjory Coyle
Phyllis Davis

Delbert Dearth
Janet Devine
Larry Elliott
Ronny Emmert
Ralph Farris
Bob Feller

Fay Ferrero
Charles Fisher
Rose Flessner
Sandra Flessner
Herbert Focken
James Gagnon

Richard Gillfillan
Judy Giroux
Patty Giroux
Danny Gocken
Warren Hanson
Dennis Harmon

Marvin Harrington
Clinton Harris
John Hofeling
Paul Holbert
Donald Holt
Joan Hoyer

Dorothy Johnson
Kathrynn Keith
Melba Keith
Roy Koester
Jerry Kohl
Marcia Lake

Patty Lauterbach
Teddy Lease
Joyce Lee
Leota Lee
Doris Little
Bill McConnell

James McTaggart
Terrance Marsh
John Martin
Linda Martin
Mary K. Matarelli
Charles Miller

Donna Lee Miller
Morris Minard
Katherine Mueller
Judy Nasers
Charles Newman
Ronda Newman

Richard Nimz
Ronald Oberloh
Marjorie Ode
Delbert Onnen
Nancy Owens
Suzanne Patterson

Robert Perkins
Evelyn Prater
Marvin Purvis
Terry Raymond
Tom Riley
Sandra Ring

John Roberts
Mary Ann Ross
Michael Russell
Kenny St. Peter
Phyllis Sanson
Stanley Schaumburg

Charles Schroeder
Frank Sears
John Sever
Carol Sheetz
Beverly Siebring
Nancy Siebring

Robert Simmons
Ethel Sites
Robert Smith
Bobby Stevens
Patty Stone
Roger Strean

Charles Sweeney
Shirley Taylor
Carolyn Thompson
John Tincher
Lorna Tincher
John Unger

David Voigt
Marie Walker
Dennis Wall
Thomas Wellborn
Jon Willms
Fred Wills

Warnie Wood
Sandra Woodward

CLASSROOMS

Future Einsteins at work.

$2PbSO_4+2H_2O \qquad Pb0_2+Pb+2H_2SO_4$

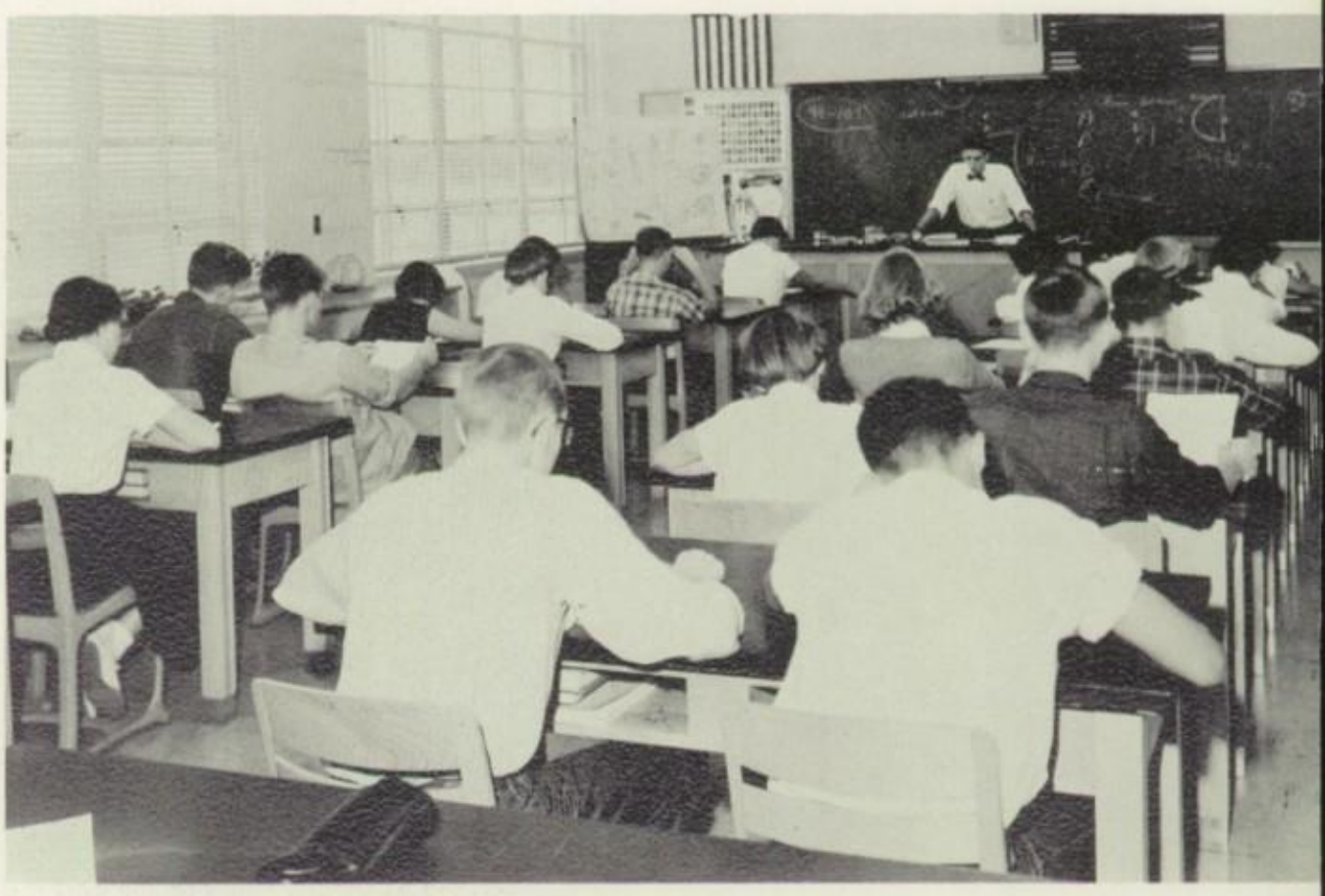
Oh, the life of a bookkeeper!

Typing—These girls make their fingers move quite rapidly.

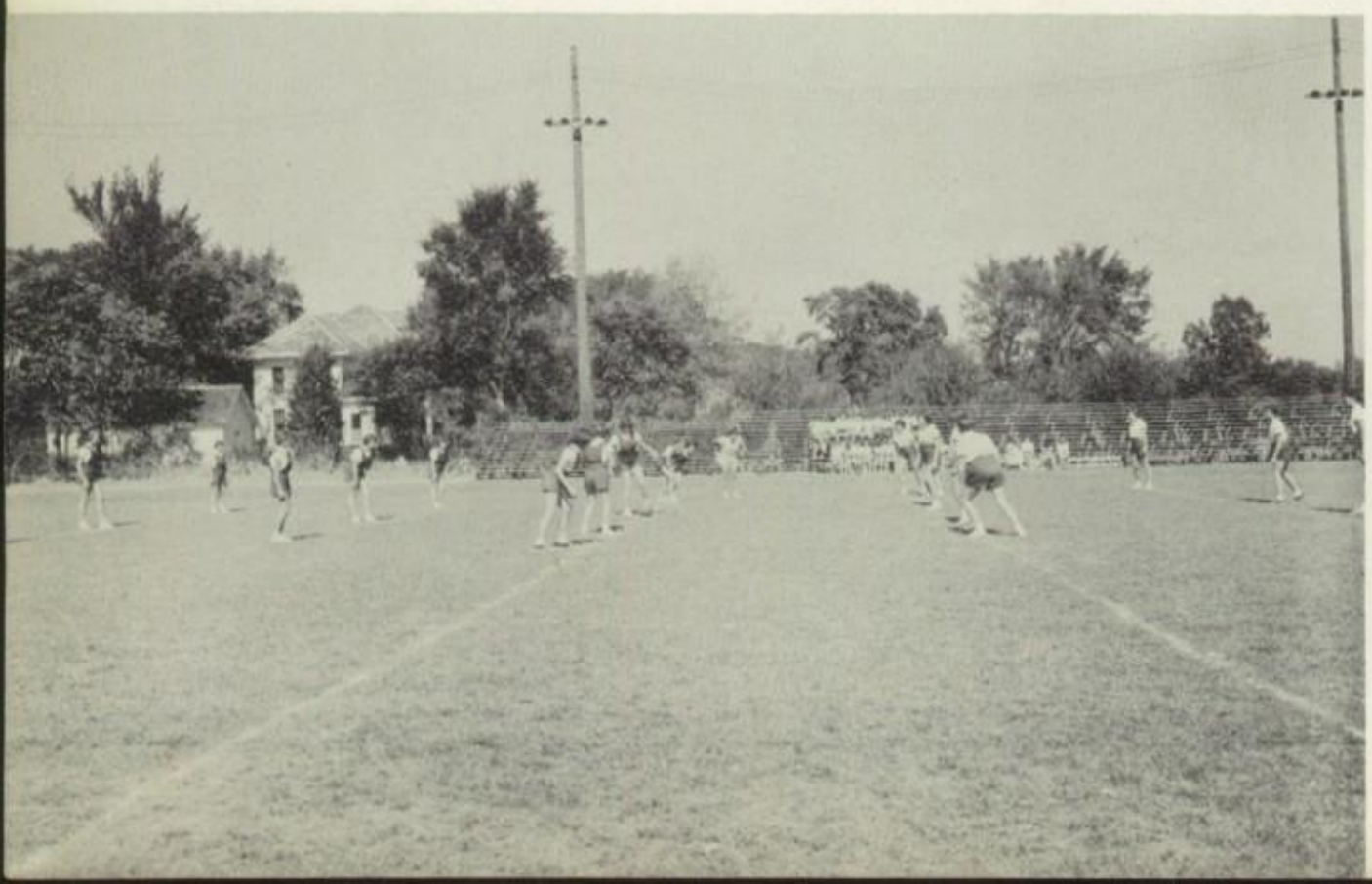
Manual Arts—These craftsmen must do book work as well as operating shop machinery.

Psychology——The knowledge of human behavior is essential to all.

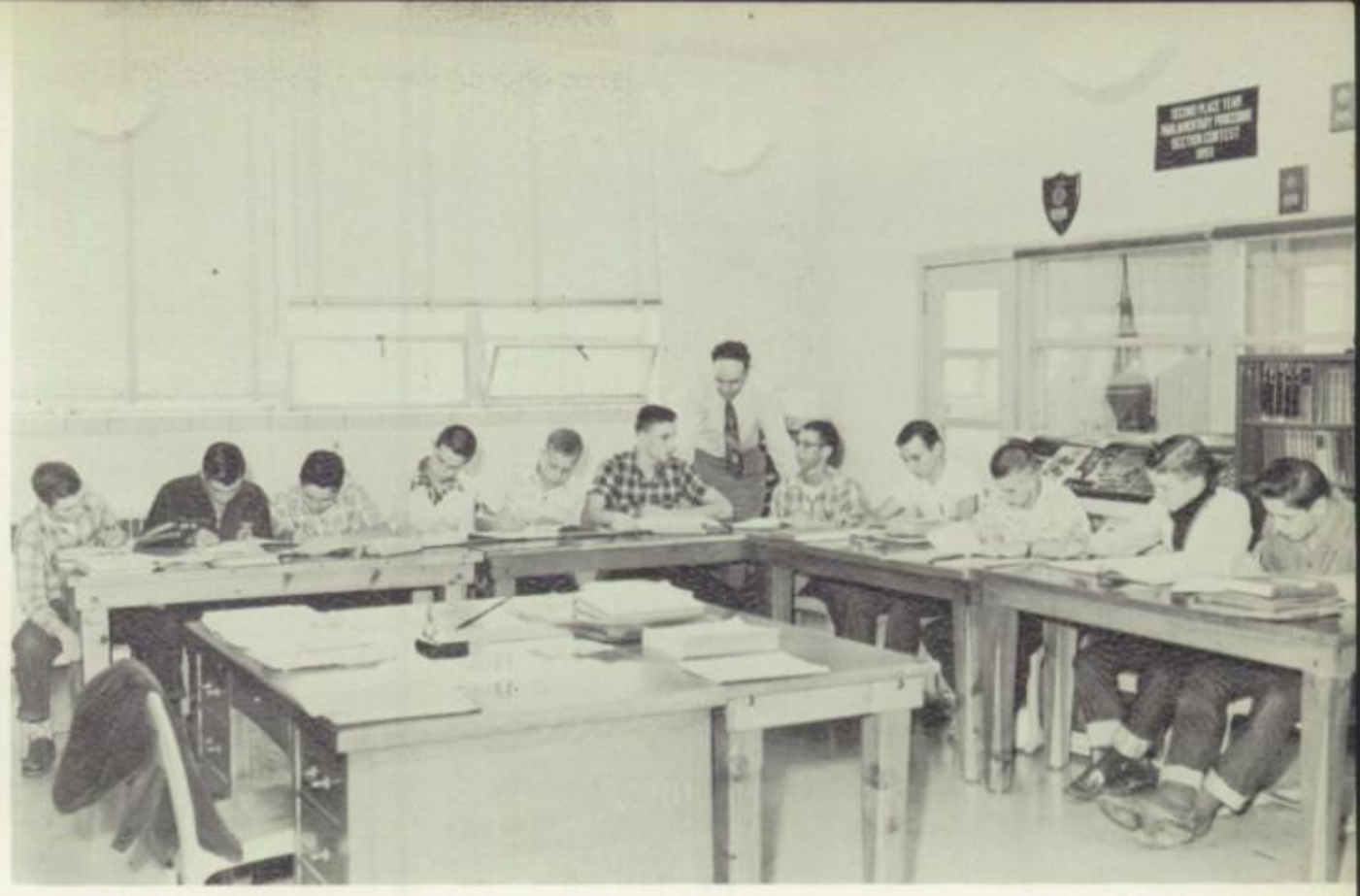
American History—Don't fire until you see the whites of their eyes.



Biology—These young biologists are busy studying the how and why of plants and animals.



Girls' P. E.—In warm weather the girls spend their gym periods outside playing soccer.

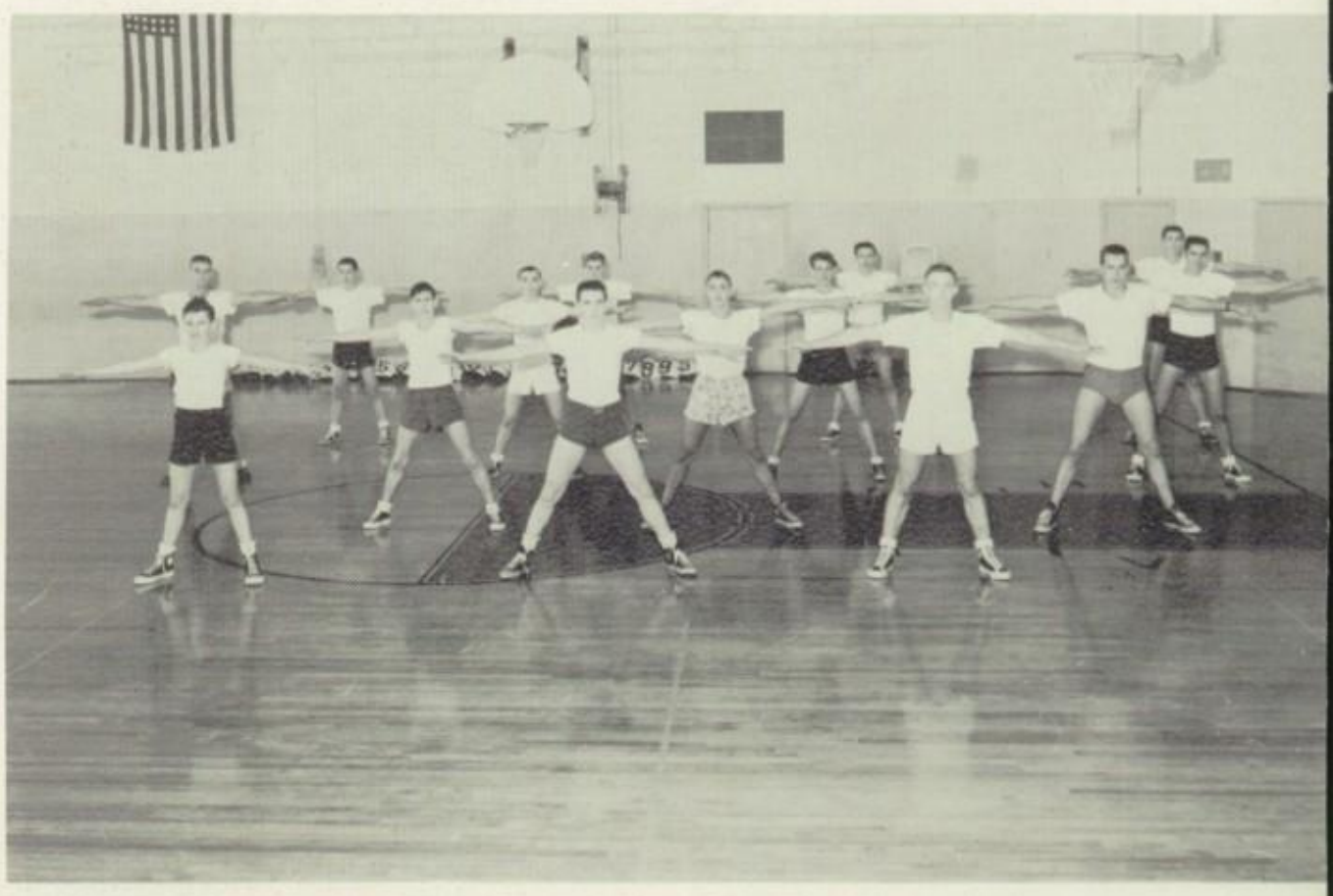


Agriculture—Our future depends upon these boys.

Latin—Pax Vobiscum

Speech—Students must know how to express themselves in speech and visible action.

Home Economics—These girls are the future suppliers of the nation's breadbasket.



Boys' P. E.—Exercises are a required part of physical education.

English—Good grammar is stressed in this class.

D.O.—These boys learn the tricks of the trade.

Drivers Training—Training in hopes that this will be a land of careful drivers.

1. James Reinagle with Bill Alhgren, trainer—Auto Mechanics, at the Ed Lahey Chevrolet Garage
2. Philip Grice with Mr. A. Trumble, trainer—Linotype Operator, at the Watseka Republican
3. Jack Clauser with John Wright, trainer—Draftsman, at the Western Condenser
4. Norman Brammer with Ray Hendress, trainer—Auto Mechanic, at S & V Motors
5. Ronald Williams with Ben Purgett, trainer—Lumber Yard Worker, at People's Coal & Lumber Co.
6. Dick Hendricks with Frank Brooks, trainer——Radio Repair, at Brooks' Radio Repair & TV Repair
7. Gary Nelson with Sam Dooley, trainer—Plumbing & Heating, at S. & D Plumbing
8. Gene Osterhous with Frank Scheiwe, trainer—Sign Painting, at Neff's Supermarket
9. Dick Walters with Hubert Davis, trainer—Auto Body Repair, at the Ed Lahey Chevrolet Garage
10. Wilbur Marcott with Ray Sturm, trainer — Farm Machinery, at McCullough Implement Co.
11. Allen Janssen with Bill Shaw, trainer—Farm Machinery Repair, at International Harvester Farm Eq.
12. Kenneth Meyers with Elmer Meyers, trainer—Auto Mechanics, at Nimz Transportation
13. Tom Gross with John Wright, trainer—Draftsman, at the Western Consenser

Cafeteria Cooks—Mrs. Keene, Mrs. Spring, and Mrs. Tunks.

Custodians—Mr. Carl Gerber and
Mr. Henry Gerber.

Bus Drivers—Mr. Harrison, Mr. Hayes Crawford, Mrs. Sylba Crawford, Mr. Herb Crawford, and Mr. Cheffer.

Secretary—Miss Gloria Gerber.

1. Miss Brayford—Look at my tan!
2. Lou Ann Ahlden—Hey, mister, give me another one.
3. Dick McGill—Just call me Dick.
4. Ifland girls—Aren't we cute?
5. Class of '55—The future voters of America.
6. Varis Purkalitis—Look at my legs.
7. Jean Holbert and Shirley Nosker—
   Just call us beautiful.
8. Ken Ahlden—See my smile?
9. Margie Sweeney—Hello!
10. Judy Craven—All dressed up.
11. Kay Johnson—I've got a bow in my hair.
12. Pete Ferrero—Ready, set!
13. Phyllis Davis, Carol Kane, and Kay O'Brien—
    Trying to get a tan.
14. Sandra Ring—Time for a swim.
15. Joan Dooley—Bottoms up.
16. Bob Beisecker—Look who I'm next to.
17. Mike Matarelli—I'm not bashful.
18. Local crowd at basketball game.
19. Larry Harmon—All dressed up for winter.
20. La Vern Sites—Freckles.
21. Sue Bartlett and Pat Boughton—Hi, you all!
22. John and Jerry Kohl—Attention!
23. Julie Ash—What's your name.
24. Gerald Behrens—I wear suspenders.
25. Bob Williams—Isn't that funny?
26. Marty Hanson—Guess who?
27. Betty Watts—What a pose!

ATHLETICS

Left to right:

Bottom row—Gary Nelson, Bob Tuttle, Mike Martin, Roger Hill, Bill Fox, Pete Ferrero, Varis Purkalitis, Bob Seggebruch, Dick McGill, Mike Igou, and Mike Matarelli.

Second row—Mr. James, Larry Harmon, Kenny Townsend, Bob Williams, Lowell Schmidt, Bill Roberts, Roger Eckstein, Bob Rhoades, Wayne Roberts, and Coach McKenzie.

Top row—Curt Feller, Mike O'Neal, La Vern Walwer, John Wood, Jim Ehrhardt, Frank Schaumburg, Bob Beisecker, Jim Reinagle, and Gordon Rhoades.

Football

1954 Season

Watseka	13	Momence	6
Watseka	12	Milford	7
Watseka	13	Gilman	12
Watseka	0	Rantoul	33
Watseka	6	Paxton	8
Watseka	64	O M S	7
Watseka	9	Gibson City	0
Watseka	0	Hoopeston	28

The Watseka Warriors opened the 1954 football season by traveling to Momence on September 17. Though inexperienced, they dropped the Redskins 13 to 6. Bob Williams tallied both touchdowns and also the extra point.

Milford journeyed to Watseka on September 24. The Warriors had waited for this game for a long time and they jumped on the Bearcats for two touchdowns in the first half. Milford scored in the last period to make the final score 12 to 7. Frank Schaumburg scored both Watseka touchdowns.

The Warriors displayed their talents on the Gilman Owls gridiron on October 1. Not a spectator left until after the final whistle had been blown as Watseka finished in spectacular fashion, scoring with only 2 minutes left in the game. The final score read 13 to 12, in Watseka's favor. Bob Williams and Ken Townsend each scored a TD and Wayne Roberts kicked the extra point.

October 7 is a night all Watseka football fans would like to forget. That was the night the Warriors took the long trip to Rantoul. The Eagles turned it on and trounced the Warriors 33 to 0. Despite the lop-sided score, the Eagles were not much better than Watseka.

Watseka, on October 15, motored to Paxton for their second conference tilt. It wasn't a very pleasant night for a football game as it rained during the first half of the contest. The Warriors were ahead with only 30 seconds left to play

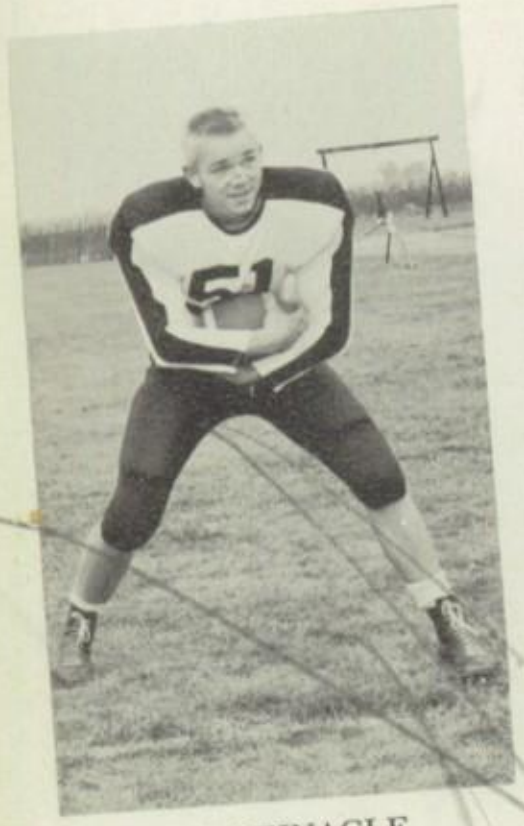
in the game and they owned possession of the ball. Although it seems impossible, Paxton won 8 to 6. A Paxton player picked up a Warrior fumble and ran 45 yards to victory. Bob Williams scored Watseka's lone TD.

The Warriors really lived up to their name on October 22, as the OMS Yellowjackets invaded Blake Field. This was Watseka's first conference win. The Warriors racked up 64 points and held the Yellowjackets to 7. John Wood scored 3 touchdowns and Frank Schaumburg and Wayne Roberts each made 2 TDs. Bob Seggebruch, Bob Rhoades, and Bob Williams each scored one TD. Bob Beisecker kicked 3 extra points and Wayne Roberts caught a pass for the other one.

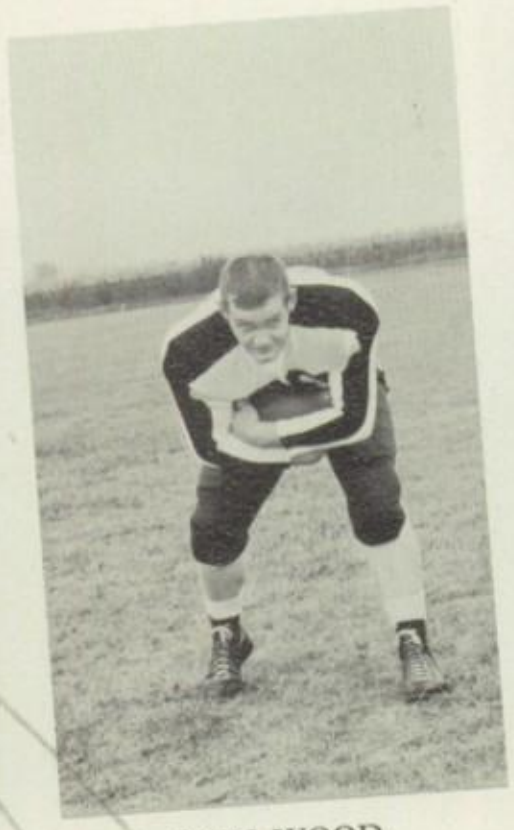
October 29 was the annual homecoming for the Warriors and Gibson City was the opponent. Previous to this, Watseka hadn't won a game from the Greyhounds since 1946. However, this time it was a different story. Watseka dropped Gibson, 9 to 0. Just before half time, Bob Beisecker and Gary Nelson tackled a Gibson halfback in his own zone for a safety and 2 points. In the third quarter Frank Schaumburg scored on a sweep around right end. Beisecker kicked the extra point and that was the ball game.

The last conference game and the last game of the football season was played at Hoopeston on November 15. In the first quarter Hoopeston's players crashed on John Wood as he was attempting to punt. The attempt was blocked, picked up, and run back 25 yards for a touchdown. For the first and only time this season, the Warriors were up against a definitely better ball club. Eventually, they came up on the short end of a 28 to 0 score.

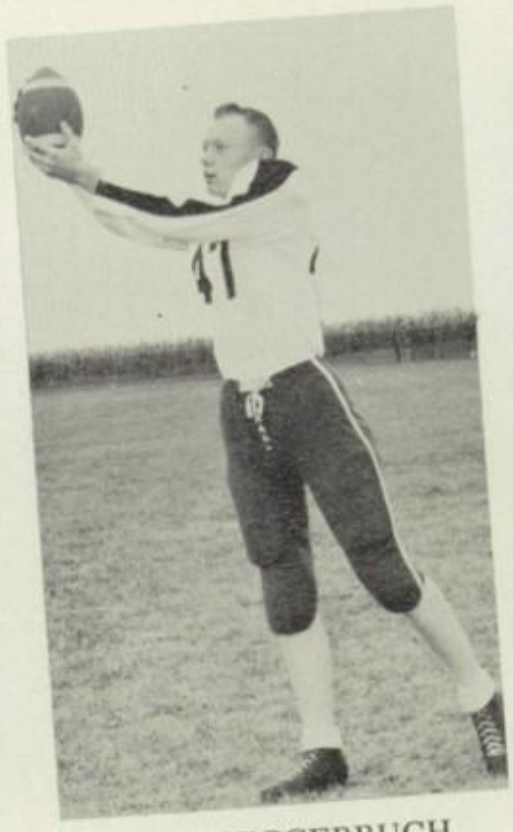
Watseka finished the schedule with a record of 5 wins and 3 losses. This was a very creditable record, considering the fact that Coach McKenzie had a very inexperienced team when starting the season. They came a long way in a short time and should have finished with a 6 and 2 record. In the Wauseca Conference they won 2 and lost 3.



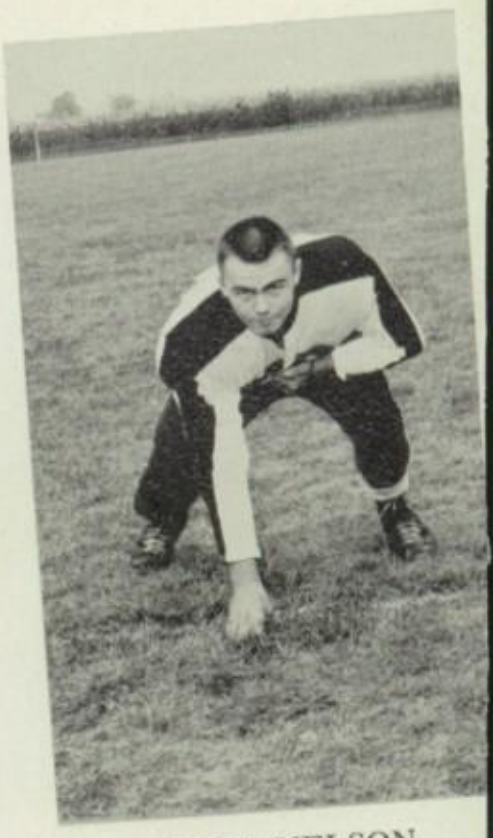
JIM REINAGLE
Halfback



JOHN WOOD
Fullback

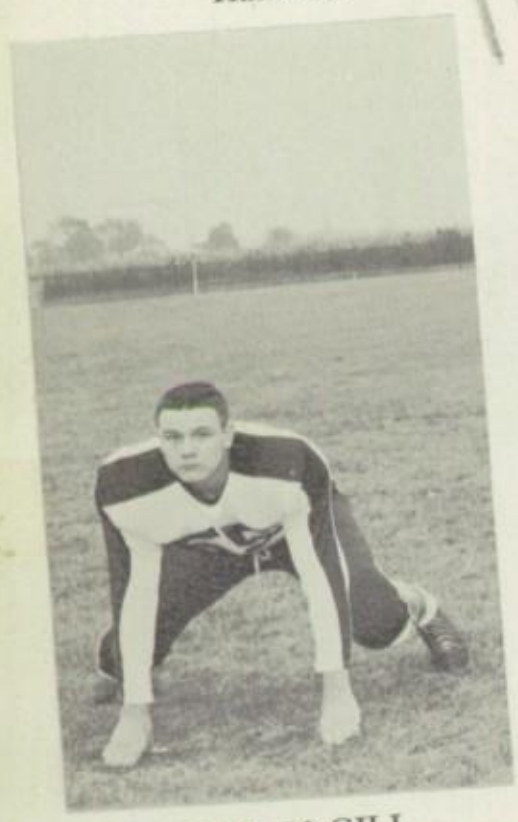


BOB SEGGEBRUCH
End



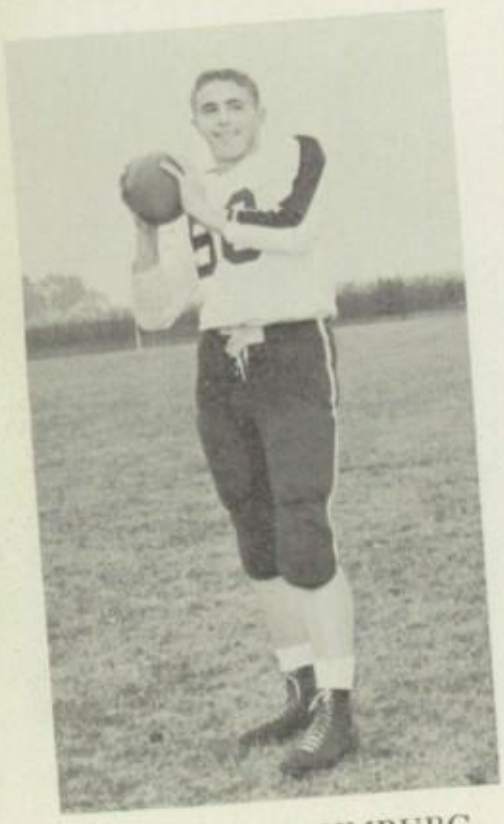
GARY NELSON
Tackle

1955

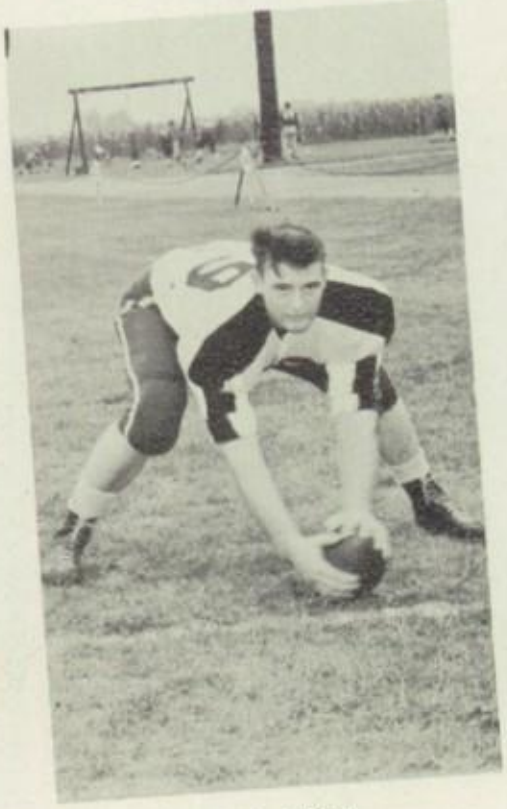


DICK McGILI
Guard

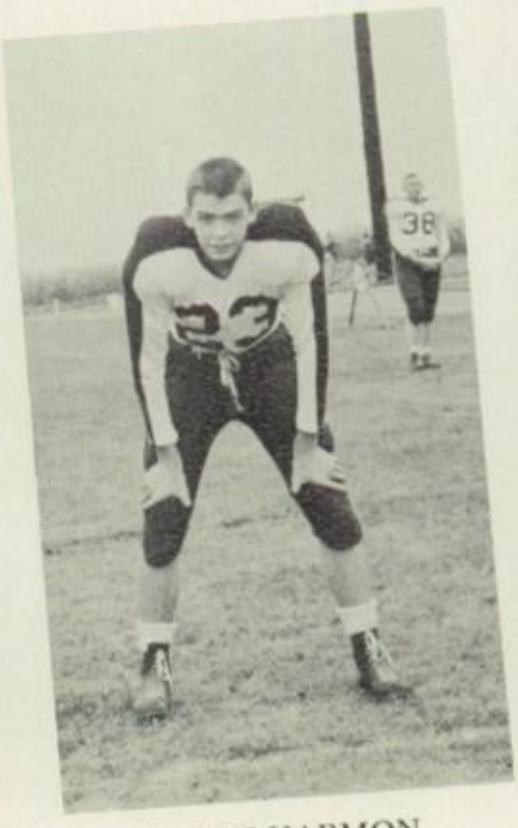
MIKE IGOU
Halfback



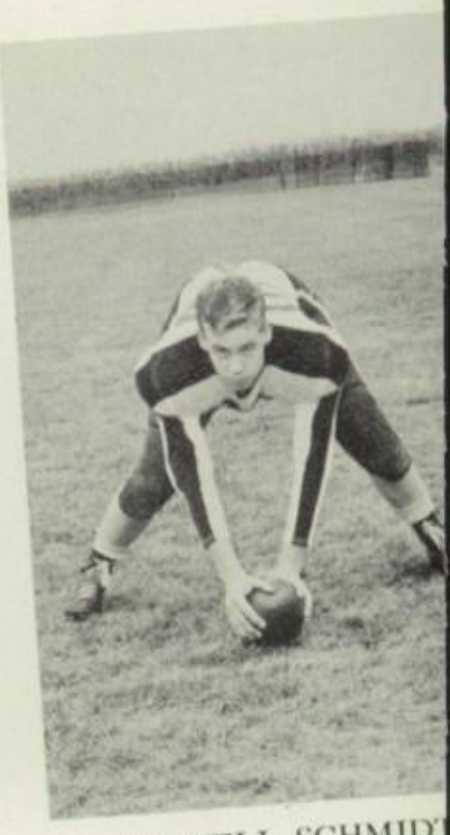
FRANK SCHAUMBURG
Halfback



BILL FOX
Center

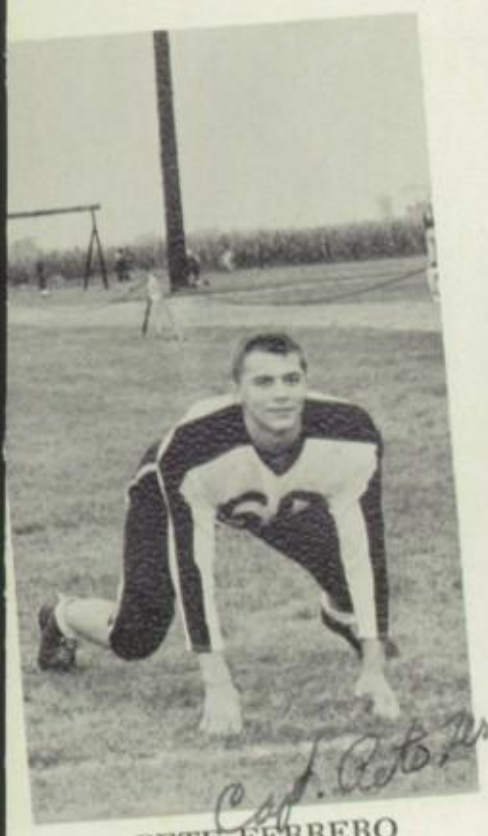


LARRY HARMON
Halfback

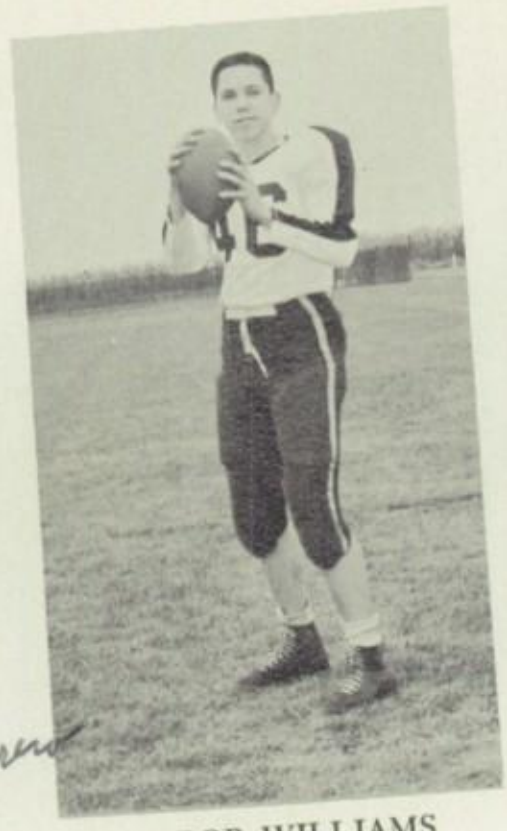


LOWELL SCHMIDT
Center

Warriors

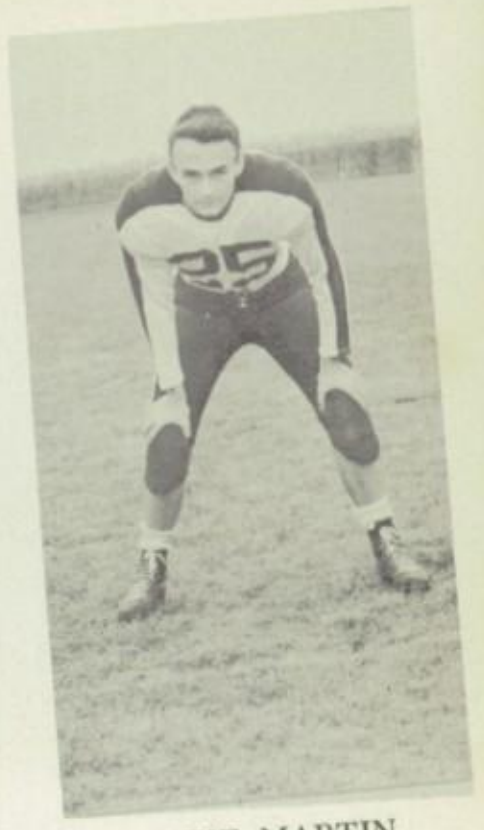


PETE FERRERO
Guard



BOB WILLIAMS
Quarterback

BOB TUTTLE
Guard

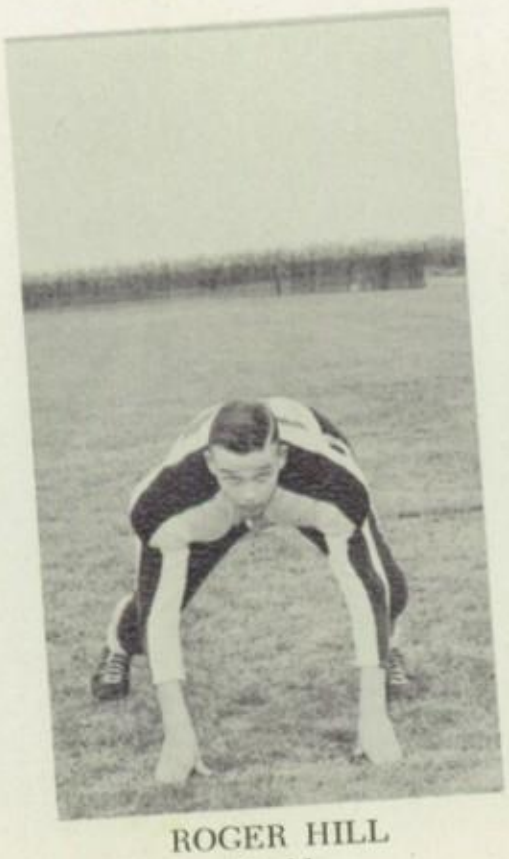


MIKE MARTIN
Halfback

WAYNE ROBERTS
End

MIKE O'NEAL
Tackle

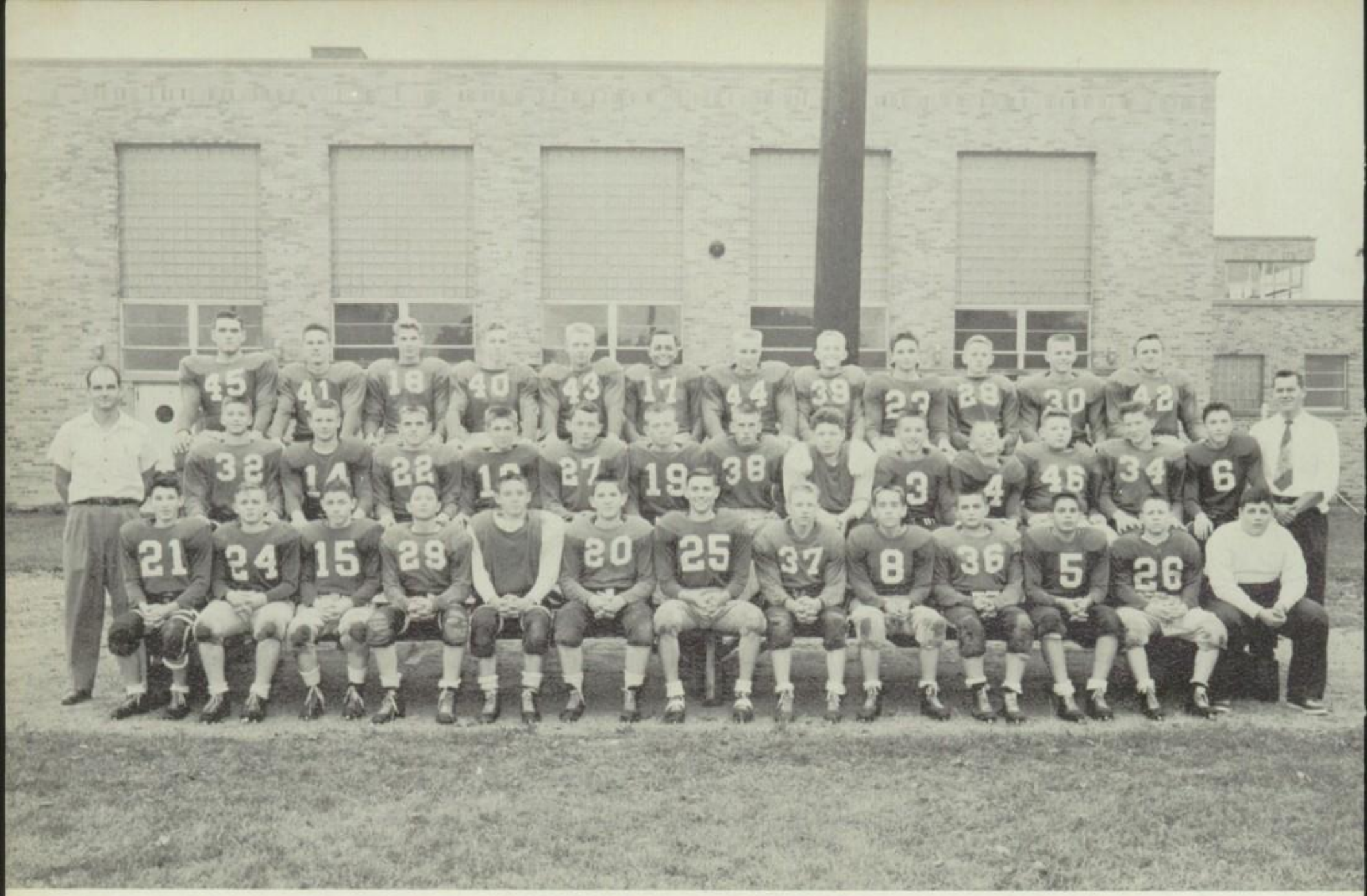
BOB BEISECKER
End



ROGER HILL
Tackle

KEN TOWNSEND
Quarterback

MIKE MATARELLI
Halfback



Left to right:

Bottom row—Bob Scharlach, Kenneth Ahlden, Terry Raymond, Dale Decker, Randy Floyd, Thomas Wellborn, Ronnie Emmert, Danny Gocken, Fred Wills, Robert Smith, Jim Gagnon, Dennis Wall, and Tom Riley, manager.

Second row—Mr. Wene, coach, Michael Russell, Warnie Woods, Denny Harmon, Charles Schroeder, Warren Hanson, Delbert Dearth, Kenneth Tucker, Bob Simmons, Charles Newman, David Voigt, Lonnie Anderson, Andy Atwood, Dick Page, and Gerald Avery, assistant coach.

Third row—Bob Feller, John Martin, Larry Elliot, David Sanson, Roy Koester, William Griffith, Dick Cast, Charles Sweeney, Paul Holbert, Mike Willms, John Roberts, and Jerry Ferren.

Fresh-Soph Football

SCHEDULE

Watseka	13	Hoopeston	13
Watseka	26	Paxton	12
Watseka	14	Central	7
Watseka	24	Gilman	12
Watseka	14	Momence	7
°Watseka	32	Hoopeston	12

°Freshmen Game

CHEERLEADERS

Front row—Sharon Barragree, Pat Boughton, and Donna Herron.

Second row—Carolyn Thompson, Linda Martin, and Kay O'Brien.

Coach Gordon McKenzie.

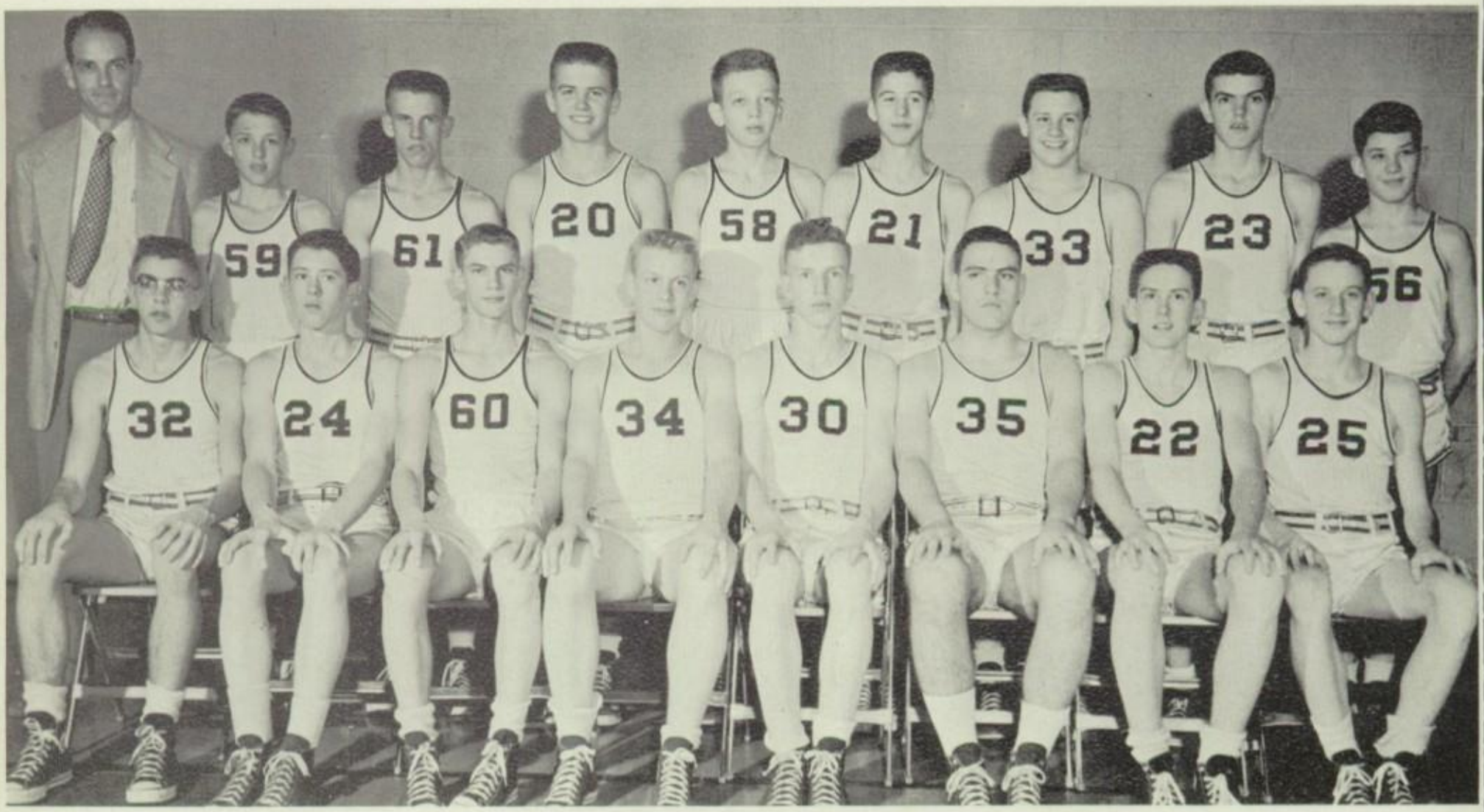
Coach McKenzie and Coach Paul James talking over game strategy.

VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM

Left to right:

Bottom row—Kenny Townsend, Philip Grice, Varis Purkalitis, Frank Schaumburg, Porter Martin, and Bob Williams.

Top row—Gordon Rhoades, manager, Loren Ferrias, John Wood, Terry Christy, Wayne Roberts, Jim Reutter, and Coach McKenzie.



FRESH-SOPH BASKETBALL TEAM

Left to right

Bottom row—Larry Harmon, Dennis Fox, Larry Elliott, Roy Koester, David Sanson, Bob Feller, John Martin, and Jon Willms.

Top row—Coach Wene, Jim McTaggart, Kenny Tucker, John Roberts, Delbert Dearth, Mike Russell, Warnie Wood, Dennis Harmon and Bob Scharlach.

Basketball

WCHS 1954-55 Basketball Schedule

	We	They		We	They
Tolono	51	55	Onarga Military	63	50
Hoopeston	60	53	Cissna Park	77	48
Paxton	54	57	Stockland	64	63
Gibson City	60	48	Central	56	54
Onarga Military	60	50	Crescent City	70	54
Gilman	65	52	Cissna Park	61	51
Central	56	42	Pontiac	70	82
Melvin-Sibley	61	57	Paxton	63	60
Armstrong	69	66	Milford	84	58
Rantoul	66	68	Gibson City	64	57
Sheldon	82	60	Momence	66	34
Rantoul	85	74	St. Anne	47	54
Hoopeston	62	60			

Varsity

Watseka opened its 1954-55 basketball season by traveling to Unity High School at Tolono on November 24. Unity came out on top 55 to 51, but not until after an overtime period. Schaumburg racked up 19 points to lead both teams in scoring.

November 30 found the Warriors at the John Greer High School in Hoopeston. The Warriors dropped the Hoopeston squad by a score of 60 to 53. Schaumburg led the Warriors with 21 markers. This opened play in the Wauseca League.

The Warriors lost a close game to Paxton on December 3. Schaumburg got 15 points to lead the local scorers. Watseka lost its first conference game.

The Warriors played a good game at Gibson City on December 10. They defeated the Greyhounds 60 to 48. Schaumburg got 14, Purkalitis and Townsend, 12 each, and Williams hit for 11. It was another conference tilt.

Watseka experienced little trouble in subduing O.M.S. for their third conference win in four starts. The contest was staged December 11 and the score was 60 to 50. Schaumburg and Townsend collected 12 points each and Martin got 11.

The Warriors knocked off Gilman 65 to 52 on December 17. Grice collected 14 points, Schaumburg 13, Williams 12, and Purkalitis 10.

On December 21, Captain Purkalitis and Schaumburg evenly divided 40 points as Watseka dropped Central 56 to 42.

On December 28 the Warriors played Melvin-Sibley in the holiday tournament at Paxton. The score was tied 9 times and Watseka finally came out on top 61 to 57. Schaumburg got 16, Grice 15, Purkalitis 11, and Williams 10.

The following night the Warriors won the right to play in the championship game by defeating Armstrong 69 to 66. Schaumburg collected 18 points, Purkalitis 14, Townsend 13, and Martin hit for 11.

December 30 found Watseka facing the Rantoul Eagles for the championship. Rantoul was crowned champ. Schaumburg tallied 19 points, Purkalitis got 17, and Williams made 14.

January 4 the Warriors trounced Sheldon by a score of 82 to 60. Every member of the Warriors varsity squad scored at least 2 points, with Schaumburg getting 18, Purkalitis 12, and John Wood 11.

Watseka took over first place in the Wauseca Conference on January 7 by defeating Rantoul 85 to 74. Schaumburg collected 22 and Purkalitis 20.

On January 14 Watseka padded their hold on first place in the Conference by squeezing past Hoopeston 62 to 60 after two overtimes. Schaumburg dropped in 16 points to be high man. Martin came through in fine shape, collected 14 points and scoring the winning basket.

The next night the Warriors dumped O.M.S. 63 to 50. It was the Warriors fifth straight conference victory. Schaumburg hit for 18, Townsend got 12, and Martin 10.

On January 21 the Warriors scalped the previously once beaten Cissna Park Red Devils. The one sided score was 77 to 48. Townsend surprised everyone with 18 points. Purkalitis and Schaumburg collected 17 and 16 respectively.

The thirtieth annual Iroquois County Tournament was held January 24-29 at Central. The Warriors won it for the third consecutive year. They defeated Stockland 64 to 63 in the first game. In the second tilt they met Central and came out ahead 56 to 54 in an overtime. In the third game we trounced Crescent City 70 to 54. Watseka emerged victorious after a good game with Cissna Park, 61 to 51. Schaumburg had a four game total of 65 points, Purkalitis 55 points and Williams 41 points.

On February 1, the Warriors traveled to Pontiac where they were beaten 82 to 70. Schaumburg and Purkalitis scored 19 and 18 points respectively.

February 4 found the Warriors defeating a conference rival, Paxton, by a score of 63 to 60. Schaumburg swished the nets for 21 markers.

The next night the Warriors scalped Momence 66 to 34. Purkalitis was high with 19 points.

On February 8 the Warriors ran up an 84 to 58 score over a fighting Milford five. Schaumburg and Purkalitis had 19 and 18 points respectively.

The Warriors dropped another conference foe, Gibson City, on February 11. The score was 64 to 57. Williams was the leading scorer with 20 points.

St. Anne beat Watseka 54 to 47 on February 15. Martin was high point man for Watseka with 14 points.

Second Team

The Papooses bowed to the B team from Tolono by a score of 40 to 24. John Martin scored 6 points for Watseka.

The Paps dropped Hoopeston by a 33 to 29 score. Martin collected 15 points to lead Watseka's scorers.

The Paxton Understudies fell before the Papooses 53 to 26. Bob Feller got 14 points for Watseka.

Warnie Wood tallied 13 points in leading the Papooses to a 62 to 39 victory over Gibson City.

Martin hit for 12 points in a 35 to 30 win over O.M.S.

Wood got 17 points and Dennie Fox got 12 as the Paps dumped Gilman 54 to 42.

The Watseka second team outlasted Central 46 to 44. Wood marked up 15 and Martin collected 10 for the winners.

Roy Koester collected 10 points as the Paps fell before Sheldon, 45 to 29.

The Paps lost their second straight at Rantoul by a score of 65 to 54. Martin got 15 and Dave Sanson collected 13 for Watseka.

Fox and Koester got 10 points each in a 40 to 31 win over Hoopeston.

The Papooses dropped O.M.S. 54 to 31 as Martin hit for 13 and Fox got 12.

Cissna Park halted the Paps by a score of 43 to 34. Wood collected 10 points to be high for Watseka.

Pontiac defeated the Papooses 62 to 40. Martin got 22 points for the losers.

With Martin garnering 16 points the Paps trimmed Paxton 49 to 42.

Watseka's "B" team doubled Momence in scoring a 50 to 25 win. Martin and Feller collected 15 and 10 respectively.

Martin collected 12 points and Fox got 10 in a 51 to 42 win over Milford.

The Papooses came from behind to squeeze past Gibson City, 38 to 35. Koester led all scorers with 15 markers.

The Paps knocked off St. Anne by a score of 46 to 26. Koester and Martin evenly divided 28 points.

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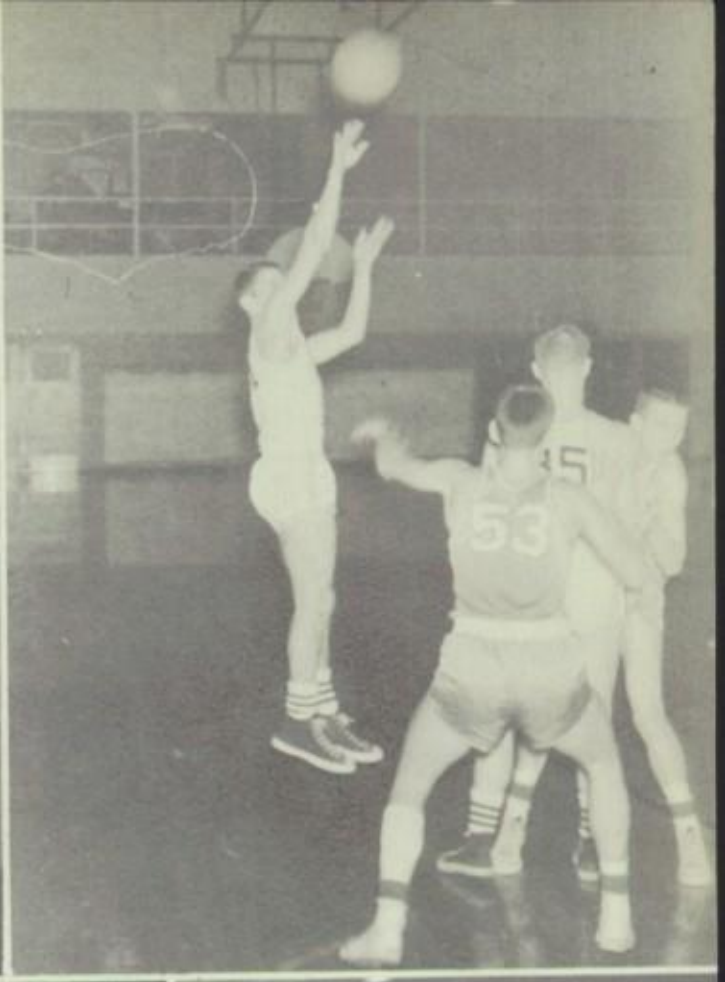
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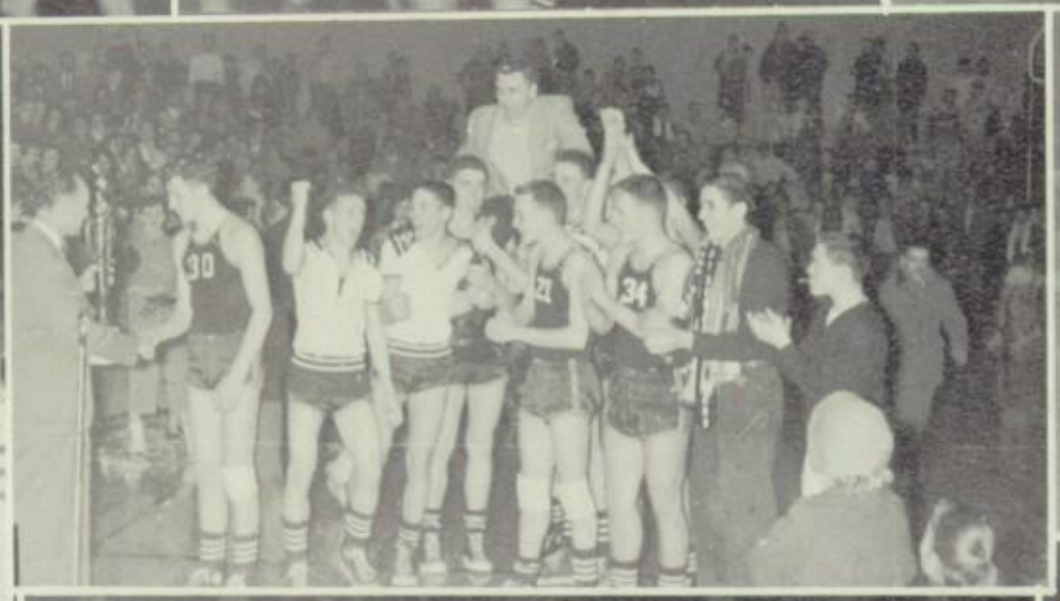
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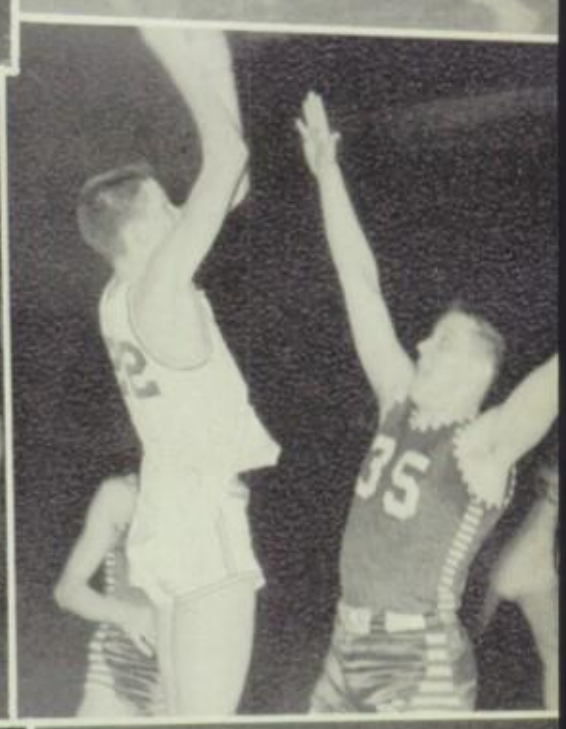
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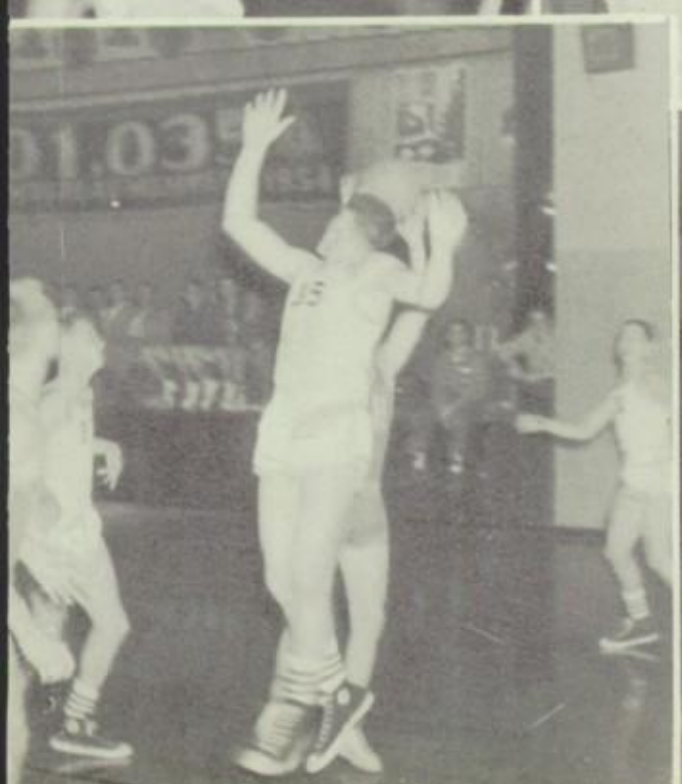

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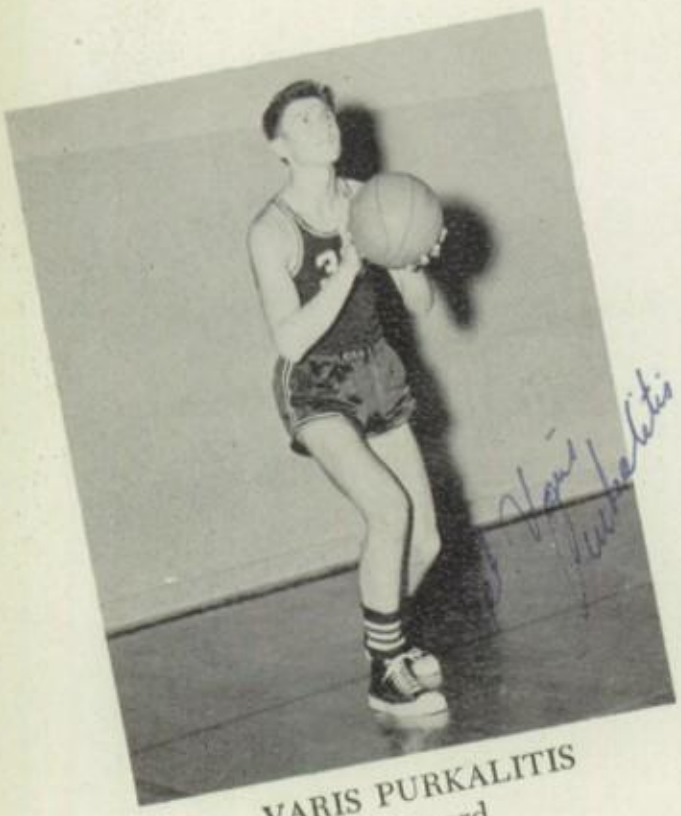

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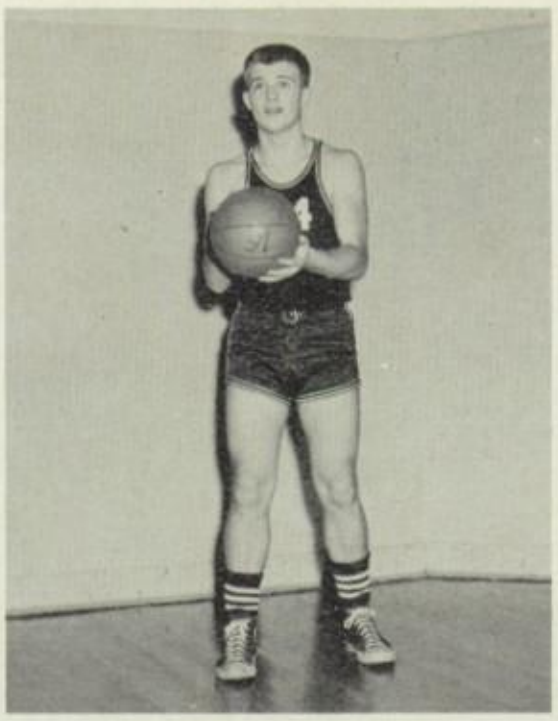

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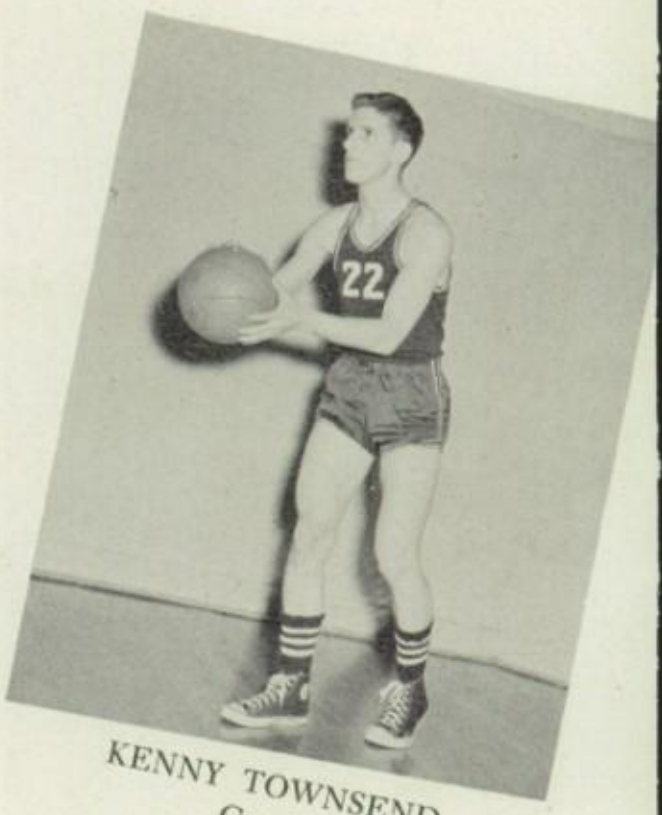

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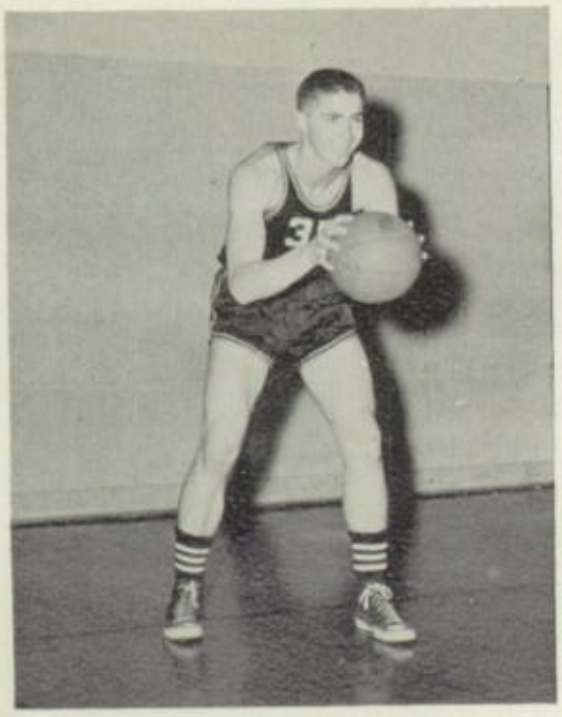

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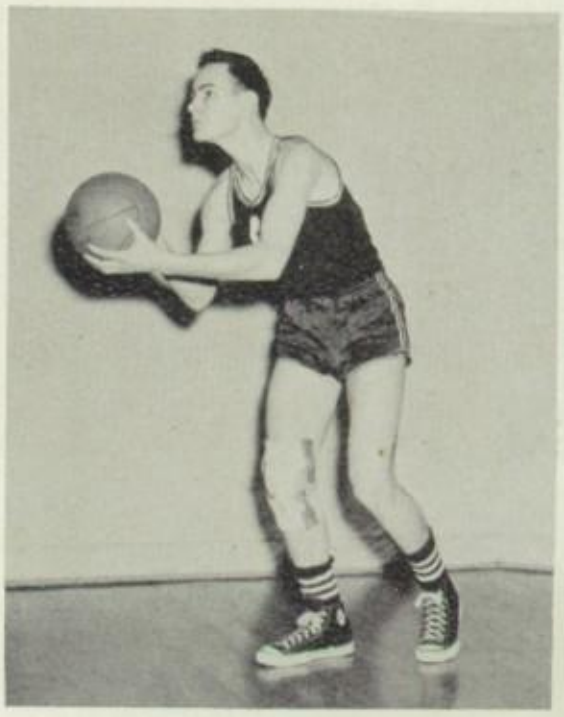
1955 Warriors



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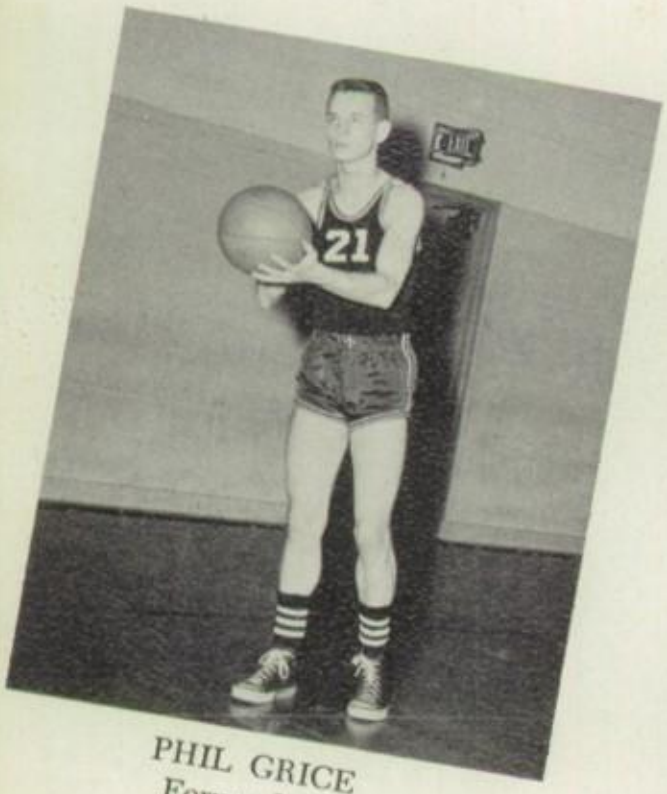

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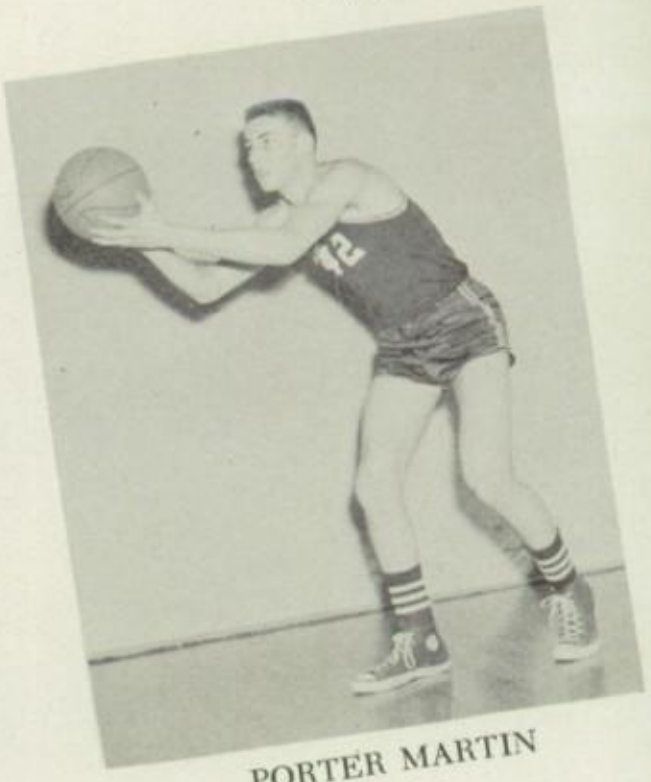

PORTER MARTIN
Center

Left to right:

Bottom Row—Roger Eckstein, Kenneth Townsend, Bob Rhoades, Michael Matarelli, Jerry McAnarney, Robert Williams, and Charles Norder.

Top Row—Coach George Sprau, Dale Flach, Robert Seggebruch, Sam Dooley, Jim Flesher, Frank Schaumburg, Gordon Rhoades, Terry Christy, and Wayne Roberts.

Baseball

A	Watseka	0		Rensselaer	5
H	Watseka	10		Rantoul	1
H	Watseka	8		Hoopeston	3
H	Watseka	9		Paxton	6
A	Watseka	0		Kankakee°	4
A	Watseka	0		Rantoul	3
A	Watseka	3		Hoopeston	6
A	Watseka	1		Paxton	3

°at Hoopeston

Baseball

The Watseka Warrior baseball team, coached by Mr. George Sprau, opened its 1954 schedule by driving to Rensselaer, Indiana, June 10. It proved to be a very unhappy afternoon, as Rensselaer won 5 to 0. Liback, the opposing pitcher, hurled a no hit, no run game against the Warriors.

Watseka was host to Rantoul on June 15. They played the role of poor hosts, however, as they whipped Rantoul's nine, 10 to 1. This win somewhat avenged Watseka, after a long string of football, basketball, and track defeats at the hands of the Eagles from Rantoul.

On June 22, the Warriors turned in another win, this time at the expense of the Hoopeston Cornjerkers. The final score was 8 to 3. The Warriors garnered only 5 hits but made the most of them to turn in the victory.

The Mustangs from Paxton journeyed to Watseka's diamond on June 25. They were the victims of the Warriors' third straight win. Frank Schaumburg collected four hits for the winners.

On July 6, the Warriors traveled to Hoopeston. They thought they were there to play Hoopeston's nine. Due to a mixed up schedule, however, they played the Kankakee Kays. This was the same aggregation that had won the Junior Legion district play-off a week before. The Warriors put a fine showing but they were defeated 4 to 0.

Watseka drove to Rantoul on July 12. Sam Dooley pitched a fine game for the Warriors as did Mawry for the Eagles. The Eagles scored 3 runs on five hits. The Warriors also got five hits but they couldn't score.

The Warriors motored again to Hoopeston on July 22. The schedule was correct this time and they played the Cornjerkers. The Warriors had occasion to disagree with the umpires, but it did them no good, and they lost 6 to 3.

The Warriors wound up their baseball season by touring to Paxton, on July 25. The contest was staged under the lights. Since the Warriors weren't accustomed to playing night baseball, it apparently hurt their batting eye. They scored only 1 run on a collection of four hits. Although Sam Dooley struck out ten batters and allowed only two hits, the Mustangs scored 3 runs.

Left to right:

Bottom Row—Pete Ferrero, Robert Scharlach, John Paro, Dale Decker, Dick Page, Gary Rosenberger, Roger Eckstein, Bob Rhoades, David Canady, and Larry Harmon.

Second Row—Tom Oberloh, Lloyd Eastburn, Jim Flesher, John Ash, Gerald Gregory, Marion Ralph, Darrell Decker, Tom Gonzales, Douglas Canady, Karl Oelke, and Paul McAnarney.

Top Row—Coach Gordon McKenzie, Dennis Fox, Kenneth Townsend, John Wood, Robert Seggebruch, Frank Schaumburg, Varis Purkalitis, Lowell Schmidt, Wayne Roberts, Richard McGill, Jim Reinagle, and William Griffith.

Track

Watseka opened its track season on April 6, by downing Central in a dual meet. The final score was: Watseka–56 2/3 and Central–56 1/3. The Warriors captured five first places and Central took eight. The difference in points came in Watseka getting seventeen second and third places against only eight for Central.

On April 13, St. Anne and Cissna Park came to the Warriors' cinder paths. Watseka–87; St. Anne–46; Cissna Park–8. Need more be said?

The Warriors journeyed to Sheldon on April 22. Kentland, Indiana, was the third team in the meet. After the dust had cleared, Watseka had racked up enough points to come in second. The point totals: Sheldon–52; Watseka–48; Kentland–25. Sheldon garnered eight firsts, Watseka took four, and Kentland had to settle for two.

Track

Watseka was represented by ten boys at the Normal Relays on April 24. It proved to be very stiff competition, as Gerald Gregory was the only Watseka boy to place. He was one of six to tie for third in the pole vault. Gregory cleared the bar at 11 feet 3 in.

Onarga and Gilman furnished the competition for Watseka on April 27. The meet was held while a light rain was coming down. The Warriors came up with 77 3/4 points, Onarga got 37 1/2 points and Gilman finished with 24 3/4 points.

The local thinlyclads traveled to Onarga on April 30. It was a triangular meet with Onarga Mil. and Paxton being the second and third teams in the meet. That was the way they finished also. Watseka racked up 64 points, Onarga Mil. totaled 41 points and Paxton accounted for 35 points.

The Warriors braved very bad weather and won the county track meet, which was held at Onarga, on May 3. There were ten other teams in the meet. The Warriors' victory was highlighted by Captain Marion Ralph. Ralph clipped 3 of a second off the 180 yard low hurdles mark. Gerald Gregory got the only other first place for Watseka. He got this in the pole vault. The first five teams finished in this order: Watseka—44 3/5; Sheldon—31 3/5; Onarga—25; Central—23 3/5; O. M. S.—19.

The district track meet was held at Kankakee on May 8. Thirty teams competed in very bad weather. Watseka had to settle for five and one-half points. Gregory tied for first place in the pole vault. Ralph got the other point by running fifth in the low hurdles.

The final varsity track meet for most of the boys was the Wauseca Conference meet. It was held at Rantoul, May 11. The Warriors placed second with forty-three points. The host team won the meet by accumulating sixty-eight points. Tom Gonzales, Marion Ralph and John Wood won first places for Watseka. Wood threw the discus 134′ 4 1/2″, breaking the old record of 131′ 1 1/2″.

ORGANIZATIONS

Left to right:

Bottom row—Marty Hanson, Roger Cavitt, Nancy Grant, Bill Fox, Sharon Cassell, Terry Christy, and Miss Strauss.

Second row—Shirley Crow, Leah Hurd, Connie Segur, Ann Stanley, Joyce Bell, Anne Eastburn, Janet Hershberger, and Diane Winslow.

Third row—Shirley Meyer, Kay Evans, Marge Sweeney, Norma Graeber, Jean Holbert, Lou Ann Ahlden, Pat Leiding, Virginia McTaggart, Sandra Jewell, and Joan Dooley.

Fourth row—Dorothy Horton, Judy Ebeling, Carol Harrison, Nancy Sears, Jerry McAnarney, Bill McTaggart, Jack Clauser, Norman Townsend, Bob Strickler, and Jim Alder.

Top row—Judy Edwards, Sharon Barragree, Sheila Raymond, Dick Lewis, Roy Smith, Lowell Schmidt, Mike Martin, Bob Williams, Kenny Townsend, Frank Schaumburg, Joe Graeber, and Porter Martin.

Dramatic Club

Each spring of the year the Dramatic Club of our school presents its annual play which is put on by the club's members. In addition to its play the Dramatic Club puts on programs throughout the year which range from pantomimes, humorous readings, skits, monologues to all types of drama. The Dramatic Club is certainly one organization which the entire student body enjoys.

This year the club was led by students very much interested in dramatics. They were Bill Fox, president; Nancy Grant, vice-president; Roger Cavitt, treasurer; and Sharon Cassell, secretary.

One can gain admittance to this club by being in a play or by working on a committee.

Watchekee Staff

In your hands you are now holding your annual, the most cherished possession from your high school days. It contains pictures of your friends and teachers; it brings back forgotten memories in later years.

The annual is brought to you by a hard working staff and Miss Harrington, a very competent sponsor.

This yearbook is started early in the year and is worked on continuously until presstime.

The staff consists of: Bill Fox, editor; Roy Smith, business manager; Nancy Grant, assistant editor; Bob Strickler, assistant business manager; Shirley Crow, senior writer; Mike Martin, lower classmen writer; Lou Ann Ahlden, club writer; Bob Seggebruch, sports writer; Shirley Crow and Mike Martin, snapshots; Carol Harrison, calendar; Bill Fox, artist; Roy Smith, Marty Hanson, Roger Cavitt, John Henry Kohl, Bill McTaggart, Pete Ferrero, Mike Martin, and Mike Igou, advertisement; and Kay Evans, Gloria Howard, and Mary Ellen Prater, typists.

Left to right:
Bottom row—Bill McTaggart, John Kohl
Second row—Carol Harrison, Nancy Grant, Roy Smith, Bill Fox, Bob Strickler, and Miss Harrington
Third row—Shirley Crow, Kay Evans, Lou Ann Ahlden, Mary Ellen Prater, Gloria Howard.
Fourth row—Mike Martin, Pete Ferrero, Martin Hanson, Roger Cavitt, Mike Igou, and Robert Seggebruch.

Left to right:

Bottom row—Mary LaVoie, Gayle Ifland, Dianne Ferry, Marilynne Ifland, Virginia Badger, Marjorie Henning, Betty Ponton, Sheila Raymond, Leah Hurd, Miss Fager, sponsor, Linda Martin, Marilynn Keene, Mary Lee Neff, Caroline Lahmon, Pat Wiggleton, Edna Tincher, Joan Gilburg, Kay Evans, Nancy Sears, and Nancy Grant.

Second row—Gloria Anderson, Barbara Margolis, Pat Miller, Donna Bunn, Linda Cox, Joan Beckman, Beverly Reinagle, Kay O'Brien, Joyce Johnson, Joan Hershberger, Donna Herron, Kay Johnson, Carol Kane, Pat Boughton, Julie Ash, Nanita Patterson, Mary Sheppard, Margo Mase, Barbara Reynolds, Linda Thorp, and Catherine Ziehe.

Third row—Doris Little, Patty Giroux, Judy Giroux, Mary Peters, Betty Watts, Jean Holbert, Dorothy Kaufmann, Barbara Hamilton, Shirley Nosker, Thelma Breeding, Betty Jo Keene, Arlene Tuttle, Virginia McTaggart, Pat Lauterbach, Sue Bartlett, Fay Ferrero, Phyllis Davis, Shirley Taylor.

Fourth row—Marion Breeding, Dorothy Johnson, Phyllis Sanson, Phyllis Buhrmester, Elinor Canady, Marjorie Coyle, Mary Ellen Prater, Gloria Howard, Donna Drover, Norma Graeber, Rosemary Roberts, Anne Eastburn, Janet Hershberger, Judy Edwards, Judy Grice, Judy Craven, Clarice Tuttle, Janice Stallard, Janet Flesher, Sandra Ring, Janet Devine.

Fifth row—Joan Dooley, Sharon Cassell, Joyce Bell, Judy Ebeling, Karen Hanson, Ronda Newman, Evelyn Prater, Marilyn Lehman, Katherine Cluver, Mary K. Matarelli, Carolyn Thompson, Suzanne Patterson, Sandra Flessner, Brenda Cole, and Rose Flessner.

Sixth row—Shirley Crow, Diane Winslow, Ann Stanley, Dorothy Horton, Connie Segur, Pat Leiding, Rosemary Hofer, Sharon Barragree, Shirley Harrington, Sandra Jewell, Dianne Thomas, La Rie Anderson, Darlene Stone, Judy Alver, Mary Ann Ross, Nancy Owens, Judy Nasers, Marjorie Ode, Melba Keith, Kathryn Keith, and Kathy Mueller.

GAA

The Girls' Athletic Association of Watseka Community High School chose for their new officers at their first meeting the following: President, Leah Hurd; Vice-president, Sheila Raymond; Secretary, Judy Edwards; Treasurer, Judy Ebeling; Reporter, Sharon Cassell, and Point-takers, Karen Hanson and Kay O'Brien. Miss Janice Fager acts as the sponsor of this club.

This year the GAA sponsored a skating party, a record dance, the homecoming dance along with the FHA and FFA and, of course, the Christmas dance.

The organization gives girls opportunities to take part in different sports and thus gain skill and good sportsmanship.

Requirements for the girls who join the GAA are a physical checkup, participation in two sports during the season and a C average or better in scholastic work.

National Honor Society

On February 9, 1955, a formal initiation was held before the entire student body at which time new members were admitted into the National Honor Society. Every year after the first semester is terminated, new members are chosen. To be eligible for this organization a student must have a "B" average, be a junior or a senior, and be a student of the WCHS for at least a year in this school. Those who have passed these qualifications are submitted to the faculty where they are then chosen according to their service to the school, leadership, scholarship, and character. This is one of the highest honors which a high school student can receive.

The new members are: Kay Evans, Mary Ellen Prater, Lou Ann Ahlden, Leslie O'Neal, and Martin Hanson, who are seniors, and Sharon Cassell, Anne Eastburn, Judy Ebeling, Nancy Grant, Frank Schaumburg, Robert Strickler, and Arlene Tuttle, who are juniors.

Other members are: Shirley Crow, president; Roy Smith, vice-president; Bob Brown, treasurer; and Carol Harrison, reporter and secretary.

Mr. George Sprau, Miss Caryl Strauss, Miss Wilma Harrington, and Mr. Orson Croxton are their very helpful and able sponsors.

Left to right:

Bottom row—Bob Brown, Shirley Crow, Pete Ferrero, Carol Harrison, and Mr. Grant.

Second row—Miss Harrington, Nancy Grant, Kay Evans, Mary Ellen Prater, Ann Eastburn and Miss Strauss.

Third row—Mr. Croxton, Lou Ann Ahlden, Arlene Tuttle, Judy Ebeling, Sharon Cassell, and Bob Strickler.

Top row—Leslie O'Neil, Roy Smith, Bill Fox, Marty Hanson, Frank Schaumburg, and Mr. Sprau.

Left to right:

Bottom row—Mrs. Niebur, Nancy Sears, Kay Evans, Carol Harrison, Kay Johnson, Phylis Siebring, Jane Davis, Marilynn Keene, Pat Leiding, and Virginia McTaggart.

Second row—Barbara Margolis, Pat Miller, Dorothy Grimes, Beverly Riley, Mary Peters, Betty Watts, Diane Anderson, Norma Graeber, Rosie Roberts, Betty Jo Keene, and Thelma Breeding.

Third row—Dianne Ferry, Donna Bunn, Gayle Ifland, Marilynne Ifland, Judy Williams, Sharon Lake, Judy Alcorn, Joyce Johnson, Rosemary Hofer, Arlene Tuttle, Sandra Jewell, and Dianne Thomas.

F. H. A.

The club of our Future Homemakers of America is one of the largest clubs in WCHS. At least one semester of home economics is required to join this club.

The club affairs are carried on by Jane Davis, president; Pat Leiding, vice-president; Kay Johnson, secretary; Marilynn Keene, reporter; Virginia McTaggart, treasurer; and Phylis Siebring, parliamentarian. Mrs. Marilyn Niebur serves as the F. H. A. sponsor.

During the year the girls have banquets for their mothers, bake cookies and go caroling at Christmas time, sponsor dances, and take part in the Clothing Crusade.

Student Council

It seems that the Student Council was formed in 1948 to stimulate a spirit of co-operation among the students and the faculty and to promote general activities in the school.

The Student Council has many duties. They manage the sale of lunch tickets, sell student supplies, and plan our school assemblies.

The officers for this year were Roy Smith, president; Shirley Crow, vice-president; Pat Boughton, secretary-treasurer. The other two senior representatives are Mary Ellen Prater and Dorothy Sobkoviak. The junior representatives are Arlene Tuttle, Bob Strickler, and Frank Schaumburg. The sophomores are represented by Pat Boughton, Kay Johnson, and Larry Harmon. Phyllis Sanson, Larry Elliott, and Jim McTaggart represent the freshman class. The Student Council members are chosen by the student body.

Miss Wilma Harrington serves as advisor of the organization.

Left to right:

Bottom row—Pat Boughton, Larry Harmon, Phyllis Sanson, Larry Elliot, Shirley Crow, and Miss Harrington.

Top row—Kay Johnson, Roy Smith, Frank Schaumburg, Bob Strickler, Arlene Tuttle, Jim McTaggart, and Mary Ellen Prater.

Left to right:

F.—Bob Seggebruch, Dick Page, Alan Weidert, Dick Gillfillan, Frank Schaumburg, Martin Sparling, Ken Tucker, Charles Sweeney, Delbert Onnen, and Bill McConnell.

F.—Porter Martin, Mr. Sprau, Mike Matarelli, Jim McTaggart, Dick Lewis, Roger Eckstein, Bill Eckstein, Gene Bean, Jim Ehrhardt, and Morris Minard.

A.—Bob Tuttle, Bob Rhoades, Stan Schaumburg, Ronnie Trumble, Bill McTaggart, Dave Hansen, Warren Hanson, and Roy Koester.

F. F. A

The Future Farmers of America were off to a flying start this year by having two sets of officers. The first set is Porter Martin, president; Bob Tuttle, vice-president; Richard Lewis, secretary; Bob Seggebruch, treasurer; Bob Rhoades, sentinel; and Frank Schaumburg, reporter. The boys holding the positions as second officers are: Dick Page, president; Mike Matarelli, vice-president; Roger Eckstein, secretary; Bill McTaggart, treasurer; Kenneth Tucker, reporter.

Mr. George Sprau acts as advisor to this group.

This club, which is one of our largest and most active, lives by its motto: Learning to do; Doing to learn; Earning to live; and Living to serve.

This year as other years, the F. F. A. sent delegates to the National F. F. A. Convention. They also sponsor many of our dances.

Broadcaster

The new editor-in-chief Carol Harrison, news editor Bob Strickler, feature editor Anne Eastburn, sports editor Roy Smith, and Miss Cochran have improved the Broadcaster greatly this year.

The staff for the first time in the history of the Broadcaster has a set number of members. Miss Cochran has helped immensely in increasing the attractiveness of the paper by giving valuable advice in page make-up.

Last fall the Broadcaster sent Joyce Bell, Anne Eastburn, Robert Strickler, and Roy Smith to the I. S. H. S. P. A. convention held at Champaign.

We still exchange school papers with other schools, including schools from Iroquois County, Chicago, Indiana, California and the Hawaiian Islands. By doing this, the staff learns how to improve the Broadcaster by seeing how other papers are set up.

The students of WCHS enjoy the Broadcaster immensely and eagerly look forward to each issue. If you don't believe it, just stand down by the lunch ticket window some time and watch the pushing and shoving to get a copy. Those squeals and shrieks can't be mistaken for anything but "sheer ecstasy."

Left to right:

Bottom row—Connie Segur, Shirley Crow, Roy Smith, Carol Harrison, Bob Strickler, Anne Eastburn, and Miss Cochran.

Second row—Nancy Owens, Kay Evans, Ann Stanley, Diane Winslow, Janet Hershberger, Joyce Bell, Nancy Grant, and Janet Flesher.

Third row—Judy Alcorn, Linda Cox, Judy Ebeling, Sharon Cassell, Rosemary Hofer, Katherine Cluver, and Mary Ann Ross.

Top row—Margo Mase, Bill Fox, Terry Christy, Kenny Townsend, Lowell Schmidt, Dick Wellborn, and Judy Grice.

Left to right:

First row—Phyllis Yarno, Gayle Ifland, Sharon Lake, Rosemary Hofer, Lou Ann Ahlden, Marge Sweeney, Joan Beckman, Judy Williams, Judy Alver, and Kathy Mueller.

Second row—Betty Ponton, Marilynne Ifland, Nancy Sears, Jane Davis, Kay Evans, Carol Harrison, Mildred Walker, Judy Atwood, Patsy Myers, Betty Watts, and Mary Ann Ross.

Third row—Miss Watkins, Doris Little, Norma Graeber, Gloria Anderson, Pat Kissack, Sharon Barragree, Janet Flesher, Linda Thorpe, Nancy Owens, Judy Nasers, and Phyllis Davis.

Library Club

Every day student librarians can be found in our library helping fellow students and taking good care of the books found in the library. All of these girls are active members of the Library Club. Miss Margaret Watkins is the head librarian and also sponsor of the Library Club.

This year a new system of filing books was tried and found to be very successful.

The Library Club is also a social club in that it has parties throughout the year and the members attend conventions.

The officers of the Library Club are: Lou Ann Ahlden, president; Sharon Lake, vice-president; Rosemary Hofer, secretary; and Margie Sweeney, treasurer. Joan Beckman serves as reporter.

W Club

The officers of the "W" Club for the 1954-55 term are Bob Williams, president; Gordon Rhoades, vice-president; Frank Schaumburg, secretary-treasurer; and John Wood, sergeant-at-arms. The sponsor of this organization is Coach Gordon McKenzie.

Only boys who have earned letters in the different fields of sports are allowed to join this club.

The "W" Club is one of our newest additions in the line of clubs to WCHS.

Left to right:

Bottom to top—Richard Gross, Bob Scharlach, Charles Norder, Joe Graeber, Bob Rhoades, Roger Eckstein, Jerry McAnarney, Lester Merhley, Larry Harmon, Kenny Townsend, Mike Matarelli, Pete Ferrero, Bob Williams, LaVern Walwer, Bob Seggebruch, John Wood, Bob Beisecker, Varis Purkalitis, Gordon Rhoades, Tom Oberloh, Jim Ehrhardt, Frank Schaumburg, Porter Martin, and Coach McKenzie.

Omitted—Robert Tuttle, Mike Martin, Bill Fox, Mike Igou, Lowell Schmidt, Philip Grice, Wayne Roberts, Richard McGill, Mike O'Neil, Curtis Feller, and James Reinagle.

Left to right:
Bottom row—Joan Dooley, Roy Smith, Bill McTaggart, and Miss Strauss.
Second row—Nancy Sears, Kay Evans, Shirley Crow, Nancy Grant, and Sharon Cassell.
Third row—Lou Ann Ahlden, and Margie Sweeney.
Top row—Marty Hanson, Roger Cavitt, Terry Christy, Bill Fox, and Jerry McAnarney.
Omitted—Joyce Bell, Judy Ebeling, Sandra Jewell, Virginia McTaggart, Frank Schaumburg, Bob Williams, Bob Strickler, Anne Eastburn, Patty Leiding, Janet Hershberger, Norman Townsend, Richard Lewis, Connie Segur.

National Thespians

The National Thespian Troope 635 of WCHS was started here in May, 1945. This national organization was originated to create an active and intelligent interest in dramatics. It is the highest goal for those interested in dramatics.

Miss Caryl Strauss is the sponsor of this lively dramatic group. The officers are Roy Smith, president; Bill McTaggart, vice-president; and Joan Dooley, secretary-treasurer.

This year sixteen members were carried over from last year. On January 18, 1955, a formal initiation was held in which 12 new members were inducted into the club.

ACTIVITIES

Calendar

AUGUST

30–Freshmen take a look at what is ahead (A.M.).
30–Faculty meeting (P.M.)–they plan for us.
31–Half-day of school for everyone.

SEPTEMBER

6–No School. Labor Day.

7–GAA sponsors skating party. Oh, those blisters!

13–Faculty eats at a picnic.

15–Adult education classes have potluck supper.

17–Warriors scalp Momence 13-6 in first football game of season.

5–Everyone smiles for group pictures.

5–D. O. skating party.

7–Warriors suffer first defeat at Rantoul with a 33-0 score.

7–Safe driving program for all of us.

7–End of first six weeks.

8–East Central Division teacher's institute. Holiday again.

12–Seniors and freshmen get TB shots. Ouch!

15–Warriors lose close game to Paxton.

17–Whee! Warriors beat OMS 64-7.

17–Teachers' institute–another holiday for us.

20–Parents of freshmen Ag students learn about Agriculture.

24–Warriors victorious over Milford in first home football game.

24–GAA gives record dance.

28–Broadcaster Staff skating party a big success. More blisters.

OCTOBER

1–Warriors score a breath-taking touchdown during last minutes to beat Gilman.

2–Square your sets. FFA square dance.

17–Hold your breath. Junior class charges admission to record dance by waist size.

23–Band boosters sponsor square dance.

29–Warriors beat Gibson City 9-0 in Homecoming game.

29–Mary Ellen Prater and Pete Ferrero reign over huge Homecoming dance.

NOVEMBER

1–Senior pictures are taken.

2-3–Underclassmen pictures.

5–Hoopeston defeats Warriors in last game of season.

6–FFA square dance in high school gym.

18–W Club initiation. Remember the taste of that gooey mixture, boys?

19–Library Club members get together at a pot-luck supper.

23–WCHS's band plays for public at band concert.

24–Warriors drop first basketball game of the season to Unity of Tolono 55-51.

25-28–Thanksgiving vacation. What delicious turkey!

30–Warriors shine at Hoopeston and come home victorious.

17–Watseka beats Gilman 65-52.

17–Tod Cyrus gives Iroquois County teen-agers a free dance.

20–Band and mixed ensemble Christmas concert.

21–Central drops game to Watseka 56-42.

23–Gala GAA Christmas dance. What an evening!

23–Beginning of Christmas vacation. Can't wait for Santa Claus to cime.

27-30–Paxton Holiday tournament. Watseka Warriors go all the way to the finish only to lose last game to Rantoul.

Calendar

DECEMBER

3–Paxton beats Watseka in a very exciting game.

4–Illinois State Normal Round-up for prospective freshmen.

6–About 250 juniors and seniors in Iroquois County attend College Night in WCHS's gym.

9–Junior class actors and actresses perform at annual play, *Best Foot Forward.*

10–Warriors are victorious over Gibson City 60-48.

11–Onarga Military School bows to Watseka 60-50.

13–Library Club entertains all the club members at a Christmas party in the Library.

14–FFA boys treat their parents at the FFA Parent-Son Banquet.

JANUARY

3–Back to school. How easily we forget what was studied before vacation!

4–Warriors trample Sheldon 82-60.

7–Watseka gets revenge on Rantoul with a victorious 85-74 score.

11–Freshman class sponsors skating party for all of us.

14–Watseka scalps Hoopeston in double overtime thriller.

15–Warriors gain easy victory over OMS.

18–Thespian Society brings new members into the club at a formal initiation.

21–Cissna Park bows to Watseka.
21–End of first semester. We're half-way through.

24-29–Warriors take first place in County Tournament at Central making it three times in three years.

FEBRUARY

1–Assembly program to help the victorious Warriors celebrate.

1–Pontiac beats Watseka 82-70.

4–Watseka plays at Paxton in an exciting game.

MARCH

1-4–Regional Tournament at Watseka. Good luck, Warriors!
4–End of 4th six weeks.

7–County Institute. Don't you just love these?

21–Band music festival at Milford.

APRIL

1–Dramatic Club play. Don't you wish you could act?

7–End of 5th six weeks.

8–Good Friday. No school.

Calendar

5–Momence travels to Watseka to attempt a victory.

8–Warriors go to Milford to play a game that should be an easy scalping for them.

9–FFA entertain FHA at a joint party.

11–Gibson City and Watseka battle it out on Watseka's floor.

11–"Deep in my Heart" is the theme for a lovely Valentine's dance sponsored by the Broadcaster Staff.

15–Warriors try for another victory at St. Anne.

18–Rantoul challenges Watseka in another exciting game.

22–Watseka plays against Bradley here.

11–No school.
28–Glen Ellyn Band Assembly program.

MAY

6–Junior-senior prom. Ah, what a magic night!

17–FHA girls prepare a banquet for their mothers.

22–Baccalaureate.

23–Seniors complete exams. Their last day of school.

23–Awards are given to seniors at the annual Award Night.

26–Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors begin their final exams.

27–Commencement. After four years of work, we finally made it.

Chorus

The choral groups this year were under the direction of Miss Marilyn Cotner. The department consisted of a mixed ensemble, girls' chorus, and a girls' octette. During the year they presented several entertaining programs.

Left to right:

First row—Edna Tincher, Judy Grice, Nanita Patterson, Janet Hershberger, Judy Edwards, Sharon Cassell, Sharon Barragree, Dianne Thomas, Sandra Jewell, Marilyn Lehman, and Shirley Meyer.

Second row—Miss Cotner, Dorothy Horton, Joyce Johnson, Judy Craven, Janice Stallard, Clarice Tuttle, Linda Thorp, Shirley Harrington, Rosemary Hofer, Pat Leiding, Marilynn Keene, Nancy Grant, and Judy Ebeling.

Third row—Jane Davis, Kay Evans, Carol Harrison, Virginia Badger, Betty Ponton, Gayle Ifland, Marilynne Ifland, Dianne Ferry, Donna Bunn, Betty Watts, Phyllis Yarno, Judy Williams, Sharon Lake, Joan Beckman, Joyce Bell, Connie Segur, Ann Stanley, Leah Hurd, Diane Winslow, and Elizabeth Hess.

Top row—Phylis Seibring, Nancy Sears, Phyllais Gossett, Catherine Ziehe, Sue Bartlett, Kay O'Brien, Janet Flesher, Pat Boughton, Rose Marie Roberts, Pat Miller, Barbara Margolis, Gloria Anderson, Pat Wiggleton, Joyce Bright, Karen Hanson, Carol Kane, Joan Hershberger, Mary Sheppard, Barbara Reynolds, Margo Mase, Joan Dooley, and Anne Eastburn.

Freshmen Chorus

Left to right:

Bottom row—Miss Cotner, Instructor

Second row—Evelyn Prater, Donna Lee Miller, Shirley Taylor, Sandra Woodward, Sandra Flessner, Judy Giroux, Patty Giroux, Joan Hoyer, Sandra Ring, and Suzanne Patterson.

Third row—Phyllis Buhrmester, Dorothy Johnson, Carol Sheetz, Katherine Cluver, Phyllis Sanson, Patty Lauterbach, Beverly Siebring, Lorna Tincher, Judy Nasers, Doris Little, Nancy Siebring, and Fay Ferrero.

Fourth row—Mary Kay Matarelli, Janet Devine, Patty Stone, Judy Alver, Linda Martin, Ronda Newman, Ethel Sites, Joyce Lee, Marcia Lake, Melba Keith, Marjorie Ode, Kathrynn Keith, Mary Ann Ross, Nancy Owens, Kathy Mueller, Phyllis Davis, and Carolyn Thompson.

Girls' Octet

Left to right:

Elizabeth Hess, Judy Edwards, Marilyn Lehman, Judy Grice, Rose Marie Roberts, Nancy Grant, Anne Eastburn, Sue Bartlett, and Janet Hershberger, pianist.

Left to right:

Majorettes—Kay Johnson, Sue Bartlett, and Mary Sheppard.

Kneeling— Katherine Cluver, Ervin Howard, Beverly Roberts, Joyce Bell, Alice Gustafson, Suzanne Patterson, and Caroline Lahmon.

Second row—Janet Hershberger, Kay O'Brien, Linda Thorp, Judy Edwards, Bill McTaggart, Catherine Brown, Judy Alvers, Mary Ann Ross, and Arlene Tuttle.

Third row—Joanie Hershberger, Judy Craven, Donna Herron, Shirley Crow, Marilyn Lehman, Ethel Sites, David Voight, Lowell Schmidt, Margie Sweeney, Marvin Harrington, Joyce Johnson, Virginia McTaggart, and John Unger.

Fourth row—Terry Raymond, Grover Prater, Bob Williams, Nancy Brown, Mike Willms, Terry Christy, Bob Brown, Mike Russell, Janice Stallard, Charles Sweeney, Lawrence Luehrsen, Sandra Ring, Jack Paro, Bob Strickler, John Sever.

Standing—Dorothy Horton, Pat Wiggleton, Clarice Tuttle, Nanita Patterson, Mr. Kitzman, Charles Bright, Jim McTaggart, LaVerne Sites, Joyce Bright, Roger Cavitt, and Bill Roberts.

Band

Our band has a large enrollment of sixty-five this year. They play at the football and basketball games we have at home.

The band takes part in the district and state contests in the spring. They also have a spring and Christmas music concert.

This year the band chose as their officers: Shirley Crow, president; Arlene Tuttle, vice-president; Bill McTaggart, secretary-treasurer; and Judy Craven, Librarian.

Mr. Richard Kitzman is the competent leader of our band.

Percussion Section

Left to right:
Erwin Howard, Joyce Bell, Suzanne Patterson, Caroline Lahmon, Katherine Cluver, Beverly Roberts, and Alice Gustafson.

Brass Section

Left to right:
Bottom row: Shirley Crow, Marilyn Lehman, Ethel Sites, and David Voigt.
Second row—Sandra Ring, Janice Stallard, Grover Prater, Charles Sweeney, Bob Williams, Terry Christy, Jon Willms, Lawrence Luehresen, Nancy Brown and Terry Raymond.
Third row—John Sever, Jack Paro, Charles Bright, Bob Strickler, Bob Brown, Mike Russell, Bill Roberts, Roger Cavitt, Joyce Bright, LaVerne Sites, and Jim McTaggart.

Woodwind Section

Left to right:

Bottom row—Catherine Brown, Judy Alvers, Mary Ann Ross, Judy Edwards, Arlene Tuttle, Sue Bartlett, and Bill McTaggart.

Second row—Janet Hershberger, Kay O'Brien, Linda Thorpe, Joan Hershberger, Mary Sheppard, Marvin Harrington, Joyce Johnson, Virginia McTaggart, and John Unger.

Third row—Dorothy Horton, Pat Wiggleton, Clarice Tuttle, Nanita Patterson, Judy Craven, Donna Herron, Lowell Schmidt, Marjorie Sweeney and Kay Johnson.

Drum Majorettes

Left to right:

Mary Sheppard, Sue Bartlett, and Kay Johnson.

Dramatic Club Play

On the night of April 29, 1954, the Dramatic Club of Watseka Community High School presented their play, "My Little Margie." It was a three act comedy taking place in the Albright apartment.

The story revolves around Margie, Sharon Cassell, 21, who has a mind of her own and who is trying to convince her father, Bill Fox, that she is no longer a child. Into the story comes Freddie, Karl Oelke, her boy friend whom her father dislikes. From this we get a very hilarious play.

The cast was as follows:

Margie Albright.....Sharon Cassell
Vern Albright.....Bill Fox
Roberta.....Ann Foster
Freddie.....Karl Oelke
Bill.....John Lehman
Miss Sherman.....Janice Ireland
Mr. Honeywell.....Dean Reichert
Mrs. Odetts.....Nancy Williams
Sir Saiyid Nasif.....Gary Rosenberger
The Assasin.....Darrell Decker
The Nurse.....Nancy Grant
Madame Nasif.....Arlene Gerber

The play was directed by Miss Caryl Strauss; Don Morrison was student director.

"Best Foot Forward"

On the evening of December 9, 1954, the curtain dropped on the junior class production of "Best Foot Forward." This sparkling success was under the splendid direction of Miss Caryl Strauss and Sharon Cassell, the student director.

This production was centered around the arrival of a movie star, Gayle Joy, and her press agent, Jack Haggerty, at a boy's prep school for the annual fall prom. Hunk Hoyt and Dutch Miller, roommates of Bud Hooper remain loyal to Bud during the trying situation, as it was Bud who in a weak moment invited the movie star. Miss Delaware "Water Gap," Minerva, Ethyl, and the "Blind Date" arrive, only to find their dates entranced by the glamorous movie star. Helen, who is Bud's date, really faces trouble when she learns it was he who had invited Gayle Joy and becomes desperately angry. "Greenie" and "Satchel," also friends of Bud delightfully add humor to the situation. O. B. Reeber, who is principal of the school is exasperated by the conduct of his "prize" students, while Professor Lloyd accepts everything quite calmly. The "Old Grad" adds a touch of hilarity by his old "peppery" college spirit. Chester, the photographer, shoots many amusing scenes between Gayle Joy, the principal, and Bud Hooper. The chaperon appears in the oddest places at the most crucial moments causing friction between her and her closely guarded girls.

THE CAST

Gayle Joy.....Judy Ebeling
Jack Haggerty.....Frank Schaumburg
Hunk Hoyt.....Bob Williams
Dutch Miller.....Bob Strickler
Bud Hooper.....Jerry McAnarney
Miss Delaware "Water Gap".....Joyce Bell
Minerva.....Anne Eastburn
Ethyl.....Patty Lieding
"Blind Date".....Nancy Grant
Helen Schlessinger.....Janet Hershberger
O. B. Reeber.....Norman Townsend
Chester Billings.....Dick Lewis
Professor Lloyd.....Porter Martin
"Old Grad".....Lowell Schmidt
"Greenie".....Kenneth Townsend
"Satchel".....Charles Bright
Chaperon.....Karen Hanson

Junior-Senior Prom

On May 7, 1954, the annual junior-senior banquet and prom was held.

The theme of the affair was "Stardust." Decorations in the gym were carried out appropriately. From the center of the gym floor, a large three dimensional star hung with search lights shining on it. A false ceiling and walls were made with blue crepe paper streamers sprinkled with stars. The punch table was white with two large blue stars on it. Silver "stardust" was found everywhere.

After the banquet, Bill Fox, the junior class president, gave a welcoming speech to the seniors; Joe Quick, the senior class president, then gave the response.

Music was furnished by Ray Pearl and his orchestra, featuring a girl vocalist, for dreamy dancing until one.

Around 12:35 balloons were let down and with the tearing down of the decorations, another prom was ended.

Mary Ellen Prater and Pete Ferrero reigned as king and queen of the Homecoming Dance, held on October 29. The music was by Tod Howard.

Candy Cane Lane was the setting of the GAA Christmas Dance. Dick Bouchard and his orchestra from Champaign furnished the music.

Tod Howard played for the annual Valentine Dance sponsored by the Broadcaster Staff. The beautifully decorated gym was in the theme of "Deep in My Heart."

Autographs

Norma
Best of luck to
a bookkeeping
classmate.
Shirley Harrington

Lots of luck in your
future Norma.
Nancy Brown

I wish you a
lot of happiness
in the future.
Ky Berry

-Norma-
Best of luck to a
sweet gal. We've sure
had a lot of fun in P. Ed.
haven't we?
Nancy

Dear Norma,

I have enjoyed being friends with you during this year as well as when I was in the 4th grade. I sincerely hope that our friendship will not die just because school is ending.

Remember our Sociology, Psychology, and P. E. classes which we've shared. Also our excitement before the Prom.

P. S. Good luck in the future - - - - - -.

Your friend
Judy Atwood

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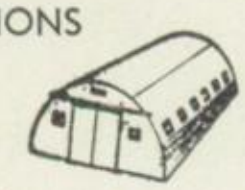

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Norma —
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Miss Yager.

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us next year. Well, I wish
you all the happiness in the
world.

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Norma
Best of luck
to a swell
girl
Cathy

Norma-
I know you
will succeed in
everything you
undertake. Lots of
luck always.
Lay Grace

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worker - may you
have much happiness
through life.
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Good luck
to a swell
girl.
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Good luck to you
in your years
following HHS
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You'll make a very good nurse
Good luck! Vania Penkalla
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'55

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'56

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Best of luck always
Wayne.
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I'll always remember you as a member of our "smart" row in Bookkeeping.
Judy Ebeling
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I hope you and Wayne will have a happy future.
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To a very nice girl whom I've enjoyed working with who was in my american history class
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Best of luck in your future with Wayne.
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Good luck Norma
Remember we have so many unpleasant things from Bookkeeping!
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I wish you all the luck in the world in your future years out of WCHS.
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I hope you
like the prom
tonight May 6, 1955
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Norma -
To a nice girl
I always enjoyd
being with.
We always
enjoy walking
home
together

Loads of luck

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Good luck
always to a
swell girl.
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Good luck to
a fellow classmate.
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Remember the
good times we had
in Psychology. Thanks
for helping me out
the stairs. Hope you have
Lots of Luck in the
future.
Sheila "Magzie"
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Best Wishes
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